

GRADUATED MUTUAL RE-ASSOCIATION OF MAINE.

Annual meeting of this Association held at the Hotel, Norway, and the reports of the Secretary present the following facts:

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BUSINESS SPECIALS.

Under this head business notices inserted for ten cents per line. Seven words to the line.

Hot soda at Noyes Drug Store.

Ladies' Relief Corps will have an anti-quarian dinner at New G. A. R. Hall, Saturday, Feb. 6th; price 15 cents. All invited. Proceeds to go towards paying for the piano.

If you want the best work pants you ever put on for the money, buy a pair of the Dutech at Noyes & Andrews' Blue Store, \$1.90. Best made, best wearing pants in the world.

A lady's watch lost between the Baptist church and the Noyes Block, Sunday evening. The finder will please leave it at Horace Cole's.

Just what you want. Fine assorted chocolate confectionery neatly put up in pound and half pound packages, Noyes Drug Store.

It is wonderful how good a suit of clothes you can buy for \$5.00 at the Blue Store. Overcoats and suits too, going at the same low prices, glad to sell them for what they cost, to clean up our winter stock. It's the time to buy.

Was the old year bad? Let's forget it. A new one to be had. Why not get it?

NORWAY AND VICINITY.

Chas. E. Freeman is very sick.

A. P. Blaisdell of Rockland is visiting his Norway friends.

Tuesday's wind raised lots of snow-drifts in the streets.

Judge C. F. Whitman will deliver the memorial address at West Summer, this year.

Samuel Ward has moved his family into Miss Nellie Drew's house, on Maple street.

C. B. Cummings & Sons have sold their oil tank to Portland parties. It has been taken to Portland.

The Browning Club met with Mrs. C. F. Whitman, Saturday evening. The club is reading Vanity Fair.

The boys and girls of the grammar school are asking for all the stray 10 cents to buy a library for their school.

Henry H. Crockett goes round with a finger "done up," the result of a screw-driver slipping and tearing the flesh badly.

A. M. Andrews, of the firm of I. W. Andrews & Sons, South Woodstock, was in town, Monday. He reports doing a good business.

Marion Walker and Catherine O'Brien from the training school for nurses, Waltham, Mass., are spending their vacation at the Beal's Hotel.

The ladies of the Congregational church will hold their circle, at the vestry, Tuesday evening, February 2. Supper and entertainment will be furnished.

The Union meetings, for the past three weeks, have been well attended. The spirit of God was manifested by saving quite a number of souls, and perfect harmony has prevailed in all the churches.

Harry Corson, who has been working in the shoe shop, has been obliged to give up his job on account of sickness, and has returned to his home in Bridgton.

The series of union prayer-meetings closed, Sunday evening, at the Baptist church. A considerable number of conversions is one result of this special work.

The Ladies' Relief Corps have purchased of H. E. Thurston a piano and have placed it in G. A. R. Hall. They are getting their new home fitted up in good shape.

S. W. Libby of Albany was in town, recently. He is recovering from his recent lameness caused by the rupture of a blood vessel in the leg. Mr. Libby says that he now feels as well as ever, and is able to walk on his own feet.

Monday night, there was a bad break in the water pipe at the farther end of Cottage street. It was a big job to repair the break, for the ground was frozen hard and the wind which blew a gale was cold and carried lots of loose snow.

We went into the car barn of the street railway, Wednesday forenoon, and found Superintendent Lee making some changes in the big snow plow. He has an ingenious device by which the car carries several tons of sand for ballast as well as sand for the track.

C. B. Cummings and wife started for California, Monday. They go by the Grand Trunk to Detroit, Chicago and Grand Trunk to Chicago, Illinois Central to New Orleans, Southern Pacific to San Francisco, and San Francisco and Northern to Cleveland.

F. W. Woodbury, who worked here several years ago, as a cutter in the shoe factory, has returned. Mrs. Woodbury, nee Eva Bickford, a graduate of Norway high school, and child are visiting Mrs. Woodbury's parents, in Stonham. She will come here later.

Hiram L. Libby's picture, "The Village Blacksmith," taken by his daughter, M. F. Libby, and which represents him seated in his easy chair with his hat on his knee, was given a full-page position in the Sunday Boston Journal. This picture will be remembered by those who attended the Oxford County Fair, last fall, as attracting a good deal of attention.

Miss Fannie Rice, the reader, gave several selections, dramatic and humorous, in a way which proved that the very flattering notices which she brings from the press of Missouri, her native State, were well earned. Her ability as an elocutionist is unquestioned. Her efforts are marked by a graceful manner, and a natural style of delivery which is especially commendable.

Tuesday morning, Edwin S. Cummings was driving from Whitman Street down Main Street, near the corner the horse became frightened and jumped, tipping over the sleigh and throwing the driver out. The horse dashed down the sidewalk, freed himself from the sleigh and ran over Cottage Street. No damage was done to the sleigh or harness. Ed said he didn't want his father to know it.

The State Board of Commissioners of Inland Fisheries gave a hearing to some local petitioners, Monday, at the Beal's Hotel. The bill board was present, Henry O. Stanley of Dixfield, Charles E. May of Carleton, Leroy T. Carleton of Windthrop. The petitioners gave their reasons for asking that streams flowing into Lake Penesseewassee be closed to fishing for a term of years. Nobody appeared in opposition. The Commission issued an edict forbidding fishing in streams tributary to Lake Penesseewassee during four years beginning Feb. 1, 1897. We understand that it does not apply to ponds. From here the members of the Board went to Dixfield to give a hearing on a petition from that town.

Subscription Rates.

2 months, 25 cents.
3 months, 35 cents.
4 months, 45 cents.
6 months, 75 cents.

NUMBER 5.

Old papers for sale at this office.

James Shedd is confined to the house by rheumatism.

Holmes notes for sale at ten cents per dozen at this office.

Mrs. Hannah Judkins, an aged lady, has been quite sick.

Perley Fish, who has been quite sick, has resumed his labors in the shop.

The S's will serve the supper at the circle at Concert Hall, Tuesday evening, Feb. 9. They give a drill and ball at Robinson Hall.

The Young People's Christian Union of the Universalist church will have special services, next Sunday evening, at 7 o'clock. Throughout the country this day is to be observed as Young People's Day by all the Unions. The Norway Union has an especially interesting and helpful programme in preparation.

The Norway high school students are selling tickets for an entertainment, the proceeds of which are to be used to buy the Globe votes that Prof. Arthur Wiley and one of his students got votes enough to win the prize that will entitle them to have all expenses paid while attending the Presidential inauguration.

Judge Stearns' St. Bernard pup, Peter, is getting to be one of the best known dogs in the village. He is a bright golden brown in color with symmetrical black and white markings. Though only six months old, he weighs a hundred pounds. The pup is as playful as a kitten and a great favorite with children.

The traveling salesman who represent the various bicycle manufacturers have been coming to town with the '97 models since the middle of last month, and from the present outlook more wheels will be disposed of this season than last. It seems as though nearly every person has a wheel now but there are others who have them in their heads.

There was a good party of Knights Templar attended the Portland Commandery, last Tuesday evening, from this place. Dr. Harry Jones took the Red Cross degree. Among those attending were:

Geo. A. Cole.
C. L. Hathaway.
C. S. Fiske.
Frederick Howe.
H. D. Smith.
S. H. Walcott.
Harry Jones.

At the first annual meeting of Oxford Lodge, No. 1, of Maine, Ark Mariners, held in Masonic Hall, Jan. 25, 1897, the following officers were elected and appointed:

Seward S. Stearns, Van. Patriarch.
Eugene L. Smith, Ark Master.
Blair F. Bradbury, Ark Mate.
F. W. Woodbury, Sec.
Merton L. Kimball, Sec.
George W. Holmes, Master of Ceremonies.
Henry P. Jones, Assistant Master of Ceremonies.
Leo M. Smith, Junior Watch.
Horace E. Mixer, Tyler.

Invitations have been sent out for the annual installation of the officers of Widely Encampment, No. 21, I. O. O. F., to be held at Old Fellows' Hall, Friday evening, Jan. 29th. This is to be followed by a complimentary banquet tendered by Mr. Hope Rebekah Lodge, No. 58, assisted by Norway Lodge, No. 10, and Widely Encampment, to Deputy Grand Master A. L. E. P. of the Grand Lodge, Vice President A. J. R. of the Grand Lodge, and the Rebekah Assembly and Grand Junior Warden Alfred S. Kimball of the Grand Encampment.

There was a sound of pounding on the Elm House door by night, and all the inmates listened to hear the cause. Col. Whitmarsh arose and inquired why such an alarm at the unseasonable hour of three. He was told that the water from the pipes of the water company was overflowing the meadow north of the village. The Colonel likes his sleep, but he is also a man who believes in duty before pleasure. So he bundled up and went out in the cold and wind and begun hustling for workmen to mend the leak. And the Colonel was out till the sun rose beautiful over the scene of his anxiety.

The remaining articles on the Bradbury family in Norway in the Forties, which we regret the author, Dr. O. N. Bradbury, was unable to finish, will be resumed in the ADVERTISER in the near future. The doctor was very busy in finishing these articles and doubtless worked on it more than he ought in his feeble health, and we are sorry he could not have seen it written as he had planned. He has very much of which to be proud, and we hope he will write no more as he is old, and while no one can write it as he, Bradbury could, the one who finishes it will endeavor to be accurate and interesting.

The clerks of Norway will hold their annual concert and ball at Norway Opera House on Thursday evening, Feb. 11. M. E. Stearns & Sons will be the orchestra, 8 pieces; C. G. Given, director; J. H. Haselton, prompter. Floor manager, C. S. Akers; aids and reception committee, Mrs. C. F. Ridlon, Jennie Baker, Miss Stuart, Anne M. Cole, B. W. Wood, J. N. Fawcett, W. H. Barnes, M. P. Smith, F. H. Beck, F. W. Farnce. Concert from 8 to 9 o'clock. Ice cream and cake served in Hall at 15 cents a plate. Floor tickets, \$1.00; gallery tickets, 15 cents and 25 cents all seats reserved. Tickets on sale at F. P. Stone's, Feb. 4, at 7 p. m. Half fare on G. T. R. from Lewiston to Berlin.

The concert at Norway Opera House, Tuesday evening, Feb. 10th, will be given by the following talent: Stearns & Sons, orchestra; Mrs. M. E. Stearns, pianist; Hattie Craig, reader; Norway Congregational Choir; Master Harold Anderson, the pleasing boy singer; Alfred E. Morse, humorist; Norway Male Quartet; Minnet by four young ladies; Graphophone; Merrie French, song; Dot Young, dance. The proceeds will go to the boom Principal Wiley of Norway High School in the Boston Globe Voting Contest. Hall open at 7.30, concert at 8. All seats reserved and on sale at Stone's at 7 o'clock Saturday evening, also by students.

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JANUARY 29, 1897, NORWAY AND SOUTH PARIS, MAINE.

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The young men's Brass Quartette of Norway have been engaged to play at the meeting of the Oxford District Lodge, I. O. G. T., South Paris, Feb. 3.

The A. O. Noyes Co. will be conducted under the firm name of Williamson & Kimball, Frank Kimball having bought the interest of Mrs. Anna Noyes, the 14th of this month.

The Mechanic Falls Ledger speaks in glowing terms of the excellent drill and pleasant dance given in that town by the gentlemanly members of A. O. Noyes Company, U. R. K. P.

CROOKED RIVER DISTRICT.—A very able and impressive sermon was preached here, last Sunday, by Rev. Joseph Crook of North Norway.

Mrs. Weston Frost is suffering with a bad cold.

Mrs. B. Allen is at work at the Beal's House, at present.

Harry Everett has gone to Poland Spring to work for the Rickers.

O. F. Hill and wife of Paris visited at his parents and attended meeting, Sunday.

Geo. Smith's daughter Ella and her husband are at home, this winter, with her parents.

The old year has gone, let it alone! Time goes running on, but we abide.

SOUTH PARIS.

Flossie Richardson is quite sick.

W. L. Grey is on the sick list, also Jacob Nichols.

Mrs. Osmond Hill, who has been quite ill, is improving.

Some papering has recently been done at F. P. Burbank's.

Mrs. Inez Hollis, who has been very sick, is reported better.

The Seneca Club meets on Tuesdays, instead of Saturdays, now.

C. S. Richardson and wife have been visiting friends, up country.

James Deering of Chicago, visited his South Paris relatives, last week.

J. H. Stuart is having some painting and papering done at his house.

J. Edgar Henry and Osmond Henry have sent their cow to C. R. Penley.

Hiram Porter and Prentiss Crockett are hauling ice for Mrs. Harriet Bird.

The school board of the town have a meeting, here, this Friday afternoon.

Installation of officers at Stony Brook Lodge, N. E. O. P., at the last regular meeting.

The intermediate school was closed, Monday, on account of the steam pipes freezing.

Allen J. Crooker is gaining rapidly. He is now able to sit up during a part of each day.

The Methodist people have bought 100 new hymn books for use in social services.

Samuel S. Heald has gone to West Paris, and begun work on the farm for A. L. Holmes.

Edwin M. Thayer has moved from his farm on the Hill road to the Royal place in this village.

Thursday last week, on account of the severe snow-storm, the schools held no afternoon session.

Shurtleff & Maxin contemplate the erection of a grist mill, near the Grand Trunk track, next spring.

The I. O. G. T. District Lodge will meet in New Hall, next Tuesday. A large attendance is expected.

Clarence Morton and Herman Stuart went to Hebron, Friday, with a team. On the way home the sleigh tipped over but no damage done.

Thursday night of last week, a water pipe burst near Eugene Fletcher's and the liquid filtered through the sandy soil, filling the cellar to overflowing.

Wednesday evening of next week, there will be a public temperance meeting in New Hall. It will be under the auspices of Oxford District Lodge, I. O. G. T.

While helping unload an oil tank for A. W. Walker, Lewis Holt was struck in the back by a fragment of a skid which broke. He was knocked over and badly lamed.

Saturday afternoon, Mrs. W. B. Edwards gave a sleigh ride to her Sunday-school class of little girls. They went to Norway and beyond and had a beautiful time.

Albert D. Park shows us a copy of Williamson's History of Maine, published in 1832. This work is now rare and valuable. Mr. Park's copy is in excellent condition.

Monday morning, Albert D. Park's horse stepped on his owner's left foot. Park is an ardent Republican, and we heard a Democrat inquire whether he or the horse was lamed.

Herbert G. Fletcher says that his horse, Doctor, is as lively a stepper as George A. Cole's "Charles." The ice track at Norway will some day be the scene of a lively contest between these two trotters.

We think Leslie Cummings is entitled to a prize for his faithful attendance at school in stormy weather, as he has to walk three miles. I think he ought to have a working party. No other student would walk as far to gain knowledge.

The union prayer-meetings are through for this season. The last one was in the Methodist church, Tuesday evening. Much interest has been manifested. The attendance throughout has been large, and a goodly number of conversions are reported.

Miss Fannie Rice, the reader, who assisted at the graphophone entertainment in Concert Hall, last Saturday, will be present at the Graphophone Concert to be given in Grand Army Hall, South Paris, Thursday evening, Jan. 28. Admission, adults, 20 cts.; children, 10 cts.

Clyde T. Hebbard had a birthday party, the evening of the 28th, it being his eighth birthday. His teacher and a number of his schoolmates were present and had a very enjoyable time. He received a number of pretty and useful presents, with which he is very much pleased.

Henry D. Hammond and Frank Bennett took the train for Augusta, Thursday morning. With them was Ezekiel M. Lapham who goes to the asylum for the insane.

Mr. Lapham was a farmer and lived back of Park Hill. He recently became violently crazy, and wanted to kill his family.

Tuesday evening, the A. O. Noyes Company, Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias, gave one of the best parties that has been in South Paris for a long time. Their exhibition drill was superb, showing some evolutions that were both difficult and pretty. About fifty couples were on the floor in the ball which followed. An excellent supper was served at the Andrews House.

One of the county officers keeps a cow. She is a splendid milker. The other day the officer went into a hardware store to buy a new milk pail. He couldn't find one large enough, for the trader didn't keep twenty-quart pails.

In fact, the trader didn't know what to make of the request for such a large pail and insisted that a smaller one would do. We hear that it was necessary to send to Portland to get a suitable pail.

That is a good party which is sojourning, this week, at Umbagog lake. Four of our well known citizens are there. Their errand was to fish for pickerel. They said so and as they are all truthful men, we believe them. Also we don't expect a deluge of fish stories when they return. They are Frank L. Starbird, whose duty it is to keep the others good natured and act as peacemaker when quarrels arise; C. E. Brett, custodian of the tackle; William A. Porter, chief of commissary department, and Charles M. Titcomb, generalissimo.

I see by your last paper that Steve Kimball and Geo. Cole had a little race on the ice, in which Kimball got the worst of it. But it did not say anything about his little boy five-year-old Elmont by Elmer showing the six-year-old boy a good ice track. The boy said he did not start with anyone on the ice that day, but if any one in the village wants to match any horse with him for \$50.00 they can have a chance when they have a good ice track. This track shall know how fast a two-minute horse can go.

Percy Walker is a lad with an inquiring mind. He likes to understand the things he works around. The new oil tank was emptied and he thought it would be a good opportunity to investigate the interior. So he opened the manhole and put a lighted lantern within. If that tank was big enough it would make a first-class volcano, and Percy knows it now. There was a loud explosion of gas, and a flame shot into the air from the manhole which illuminated the railroad bridge and all the street. Percy's face was considerably burned and he lost a lot of hair, but that was all the damage done.

As, when dies a sound, his spirit's fingers round: Leave some faint echo still.

BETHEL.

Will Stearns' face was severely frozen, Monday.

Ered Allen of Portland spent Sunday with his Bethel friends.

Judge E. W. Woodbury was in South Paris, last week, on business.

Miss Purinton has been sick and unable to teach her school.

Hon. James S. Wright of South Paris was in town, Thursday, of last week.

Mrs. J. F. DeCoster of Rumford Falls is visiting Mrs. Horace Andrews.

Will Richardson was down from Gorham, N. H., last Sunday, returning Monday.

Mrs. Wilfred Bowler and daughter of Berlin, N. H., have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bowler.

Daisy Dixon has returned from Gorham Normal School, and is stopping with her aunt, Mrs. L. T. Barker.

Arthur Barker fell and broke his leg near the ankle, last Monday, while rolling logs in the Bethel chair factory yard.

Owen Dreton, a brakeman on the G. T. R., formerly of this place, lost two fingers on his right hand, last Saturday, while coupling cars in Gorham yard.

Mary Cummings has recently received news of her brother Daniel's death in Andover, Mass. Mr. Cummings was the son of the late Francis Cummings of Albany.

The P. C. U. of the Universalist church has chosen these officers: President, Joan Stearns. Vice-Pres., Agnes Kimball. Sec. Sec., Edith Grover. Treas., Mrs. E. E. Barton.

Ed. Dudley of Paris has taken the job to do 100 cords of birch or more from Bald Mountain to J. P. Skilling's spool mill. Mr. Skilling would like about 1,000 cords of birch to saw into spool lumber, this winter.

The Biddeford Times announces the brilliant wedding in the Baptist church of Hiram Clark of Susquehanna, Pa., and Myra D. Webster of this village. Mr. Clark's former home was in Bethel, and he carries to his new home the best of wishes of a host of friends.

GROVER HILL.—Walker and Murphy are cutting birch on the Hastings lot.

L. C. Stearns, jr., of Hebron visited friends in town over Sunday.

Grover Bros. have about 100 cords of spruce pulp wood cut at the present time.

Henry Clark was the recipient of a handsome sled from his father a few days since.

Ida M. Haselton recently presented each of her Grover Hill pupils with a handsome souvenir card.

E. E. Whitman will take his little daughter Alta Vera with him upon his return to Worcester, Mass.

We learn that Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Whitman are the proud and happy parents of a little daughter, Arlene Lotie.

WILSON'S MILLS.

R. A. Shorey is at work for John Olson. F. A. Flint expects to finish logging this week.

E. S. Bennett is at work for J. C. and R. S. Bean.

J. C. Bean killed two hogs recently, one weighing four hundred and four and the other four hundred and forty-three pounds.

Berlin, N. H., is soon to be a city, if you please.

Unexpected Delay.

But the Will To Do Is Still at Work.—Stonham Votes the First Aid.—Survey to North Lovell.

When Hon. James S. Wright examined the warrants which had been drawn to call town meetings to vote on aid to the Norway-Waterford railroad, he found a fatal defect. They were not explicit enough. Remembering the Supreme Court's decision on the Oxford County Buildings case, it was easy to see that the proposition must be stated fully and exactly. The meetings in the towns of Waterford and Albany were adjourned sine die, and new warrants posted, calling meetings a week later. This was a great disappointment to the people of the towns.

Saturday evening, there was an informal meeting at South Waterford, which drew a large number of voters. Col. A. S. Haggood was present and showed them the detailed result of the work done by the committee of twelve. The people feel encouraged at so gratifying a showing. Thus we get our first practical proof of the sentiment of the people in these towns toward this proposal of a way to better get out into the rest of the world. Stonham has led off. How will the town follow? Waterford will hold its meeting, Saturday morning, Albany and Lovell, Monday, and Harrison, Wednesday next. Aid is asked, in the form of right of way or money, or both, in all these towns, and but little opposition is expected.

Tuesday, civil engineer Frank M. Young finished the survey to North Lovell. The distance from Rice's Junction is 12 miles, 18 rods, 3 feet. Mr. Young has gone home, and is at work preparing the profile and maps for the builders' use.

L. H. Burnham of Lynchville has begun getting out sleepers and trolley poles for the road.

Hon. A. A. Strout of Portland, attorney of the Grand Trunk Ry. Co., has been making a thorough investigation of the standing of the people interested in the Oxford Central Railway, prospects of business to be done by that line, etc. Mr. Strout spoke freely about the result of his researches, saying that it was a fine looking case, and a good chance to build a road and a good chance to make something by doing so.

WEST FRYEBURG.

E. W. Burbank, former proprietor of the Snow Valley Seed Farm, has bought out a general store business at Fryeburg Centre.

Wiley Walker from North Conway and formerly resident here has been with relatives in the place for the past week or two.

Mrs. S. F. Ballard has so far recovered from her long illness as to be able to visit her relatives and was recently a guest at her son Edeley's in Fryeburg.

Notwithstanding the excessively cold and blustering weather of the 10th inst., the Stirling Literary Club met at the home of its president, Mrs. E. P. Hutchins, and made it a very pleasant occasion. The club husbands attended the tea meeting in the evening.

Little Richard Hutchins, aged about ten years, met with a serious accident, Sunday morning. His grandmother, Mrs. Sarah J. Hutchins, was carrying a basin of hot water from the stove to the sink when the little fellow ran suddenly against her and overturned the basin emptying the whole contents upon his face. At the time of writing it was not known whether the boy's eyes are injured or not.

A new weekly paper has been started in Fryeburg, its general character like the Advertiser. Considering the calamities that have lately come upon the town so heavily, this venture indicates a high degree of courage on the part of the manager. This is the second periodical of the kind started in this section within a year or two, but the Advertiser in its dignified new dress easily heads the procession.

SOUTH CHATHAM, N. H.

On Wednesday evening last week, Calvin Stiles left the supper table and went to his barn and shot himself, dying in about half an hour from the wound. He had been in poor health for more than a year and was subject to occasional spells of discouragement and mental disorder. He was industrious, kind and gentle in his family and neighborhood relations, and his case will excite sympathy rather than censure. He leaves a widow, four children, one born on the night following his death, and a sister. The funeral occurred on Saturday at one o'clock. Rev. B. N. Stone of Fryeburg, the officiating clergyman.

The brain's the hardest part of men, And thrives till three score years and ten.

PORTER.

Mrs. Samuel Stanley is very low from the effects of a rupture.

Clinton Durgin has some thirty cords of oak timber to haul to South Hiram for Eugene Stanley.

Elmer Sawyer, who is at work at the Forest Paper Mill in Yarmouth, was in town over Sunday.

Estella Philbrick, Minnie Towle and E. W. Sawyer are attending school at North Parsonsfield.

Myrtle French and Johnny Stacy, who are now in Boston, are sick with pneumonia and diphtheria.

Charles Stanley has been hauling the hay on the Ivory Kennerson place in Parsonsfield to this village.

Fred Mason is very sick with a bad cold, which is prevalent among us, and which leads to a gripe if not cured.

Ivory Towle is still convalescing. He has been confined to his home ever since the 20th of last July from the effects of a fall.

Elmer Chapman in his drove of cattle, last week, to Brighton had one pair that weighed eight feet and weighed over 4,000 pounds.

There is considerable commotion over a disputed line between James Black and Andrew Varney. Both parties have had the line run but they still disagree.

BRYANT'S POND.

Captain C. C. Adams has just returned from a voyage.

E. H. Pike is hauling a block of lumber from the Fuller place to Willis' mill for J. M. Day.

M. M. Hathaway expects to go to Berlin, this week, with a car load of apples and potatoes.

Mrs. Abel Bacon, who has been sick with bilious fever for several weeks, is improving slowly.

Plenty of snow now for business, but it does not tread down much and the roads are yet very poor.

W. H. Cole met with quite an accident, last week, by being struck in the eye by a cow's horn. It was feared for a time he might lose his sight but he is now doing well.

The Universalist circle will give a "Hayseed or Poverty Party" at the Town Hall, Saturday evening, Jan. 30. All are particularly requested to appear in appropriate costume. Hulled corn supper will be served.

The scholars in the Chase district held a mock town meeting, Friday afternoon, and elected a full board of officers, and raised money for various purposes, one of which was to buy ammunition to shoot tramps with as that kind of game seems to be more plenty than any other. Is there no one wise enough to solve this tramp problem? In this way things are going now it is only a question of time, and not a long time either, when every shiftless vagabond, who is too lazy to work and earn his own living, will travel about and see the country and enjoy himself, knowing that he has only to call upon the town authorities to obtain food and lodging. It is a common sight to see two, three or even four at a time, young, tough looking, well dressed fellows making their way to town from the woods. Some say "arrest them." What are they for that? Many of them are seeking that very thing, that they may enjoy comfortable winter quarters, at the expense of someone else's money, and "ammunition" that will kill the tramp is labor, profitable labor, if it can be so arranged, if not, anything that will compel them to work.

CLINTON.

The snow, the snow, the beautiful snow! Sing hoi the merry maidens and the sleigh! Then crack the whip and away you go. Sing hoi the merry bill you have to pay.

SOUTH HARRISON.

Grace Morrow has returned home from a visit in Saco.

The next sing will be at A. C. Buck's, next Saturday night.

Joseph Pitts is on the gain and is so to be out among his fellowmen again.

Mrs. Clara DeWitt is visiting at Sam'l Leavitt's and Lewis Proctor's of Naples.

The snow that came was very welcome and the people are improving it to the best of their ability.

At Seaver's recently purchased a fine looking seven-year-old cow. It is good style and a fine stepper.

Mrs. Ruth Buck, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Green of Otisfield, has returned home.

Among those smart, intelligent and enterprising young ladies, Maggie Kimball will take her place at the head.

Eugene Johnson will number among those many teams that are soon to begin to haul hunch for James Thomas' on the Frank Green lot to Naples village.

SWEDEN.

Mrs. Rachel Knight has been quite sick of late.

Thomas Jefferson sold a nice yoke of oxen, last week, to Frank Howe.

Hollis Moore has had his pension increased to eight dollars per month.

Walter E. Gordon swapped his nice black horse, last week, with John Ames for two colts.

John Ames has sold his five nice hogs of late. The largest, good judges say, would dress six hundred pounds.

Since the enlargement of the ADVERTISER nearly all say that they have to sit up nights to read all of the news.

Clara E. Jones, while cleaning a dress with naptha, got badly burned about the hands and arms, one day last week.

About fifteen inches of snow fell in this vicinity, last Thursday. Even some who have been wishing for snow for a long time are now fretting because we have so much. I told them the "Lord would provide" before winter was gone.

High stations tumult but not bliss create; None think the great unhappy but the great.

FRYEBURG CENTRE.

Ida Farrington is in Boston for instruction in vocal music.

Mrs. Jettie Gordon Smith of Sweden visited Mrs. Adams, last week.

Mrs. Lucy Hanson of North Conway is spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Albert Quint.

Mrs. Eliza Gordon has not been as well as usual, this winter, having a cough and cold. She has passed her 85th birthday and has been a remarkably smart woman for her age. Charles, making rugs and quilts that would do young ladies credit for fine work.

The officers of Julian Rebekah Lodge installed, Jan. 9th, by D. D. G. M. Leila A. Farrington are:

N. G. Mrs. Nellie Farrington.
V. G. Jessie Hall.
Financial Sec., Grace Stanley.
Rec. Sec., Bessie G. Adams.
Treas., Mrs. Susie Hutchins.

John Langdon Kilgore, who spent some time in this place, died in Stow, N. H., Jan. 24, aged 65 years. He was born in Bartlett, N. H., and was the last surviving son of Maj. James Kilgore. He leaves a wife, two sons and a daughter; George, a practicing physician near Philadelphia; Charles living in Whitefield, N. H.; and Mrs. L. O. Giles of North Fryeburg. He has three sisters living, Mrs. C. W. Chandler of Meadville, Falls, Mrs. Joseph Brackett of Lovell and Abbie Kilgore of Ocean Grove, N. J. He served in the war of the Rebellion.

DENMARK.

Mrs. A. H. Witham seems to be growing worse.

Can making commenced in the corn shop, last week.

Our snow just put the people and teams into the woods for wood and lumber.

Geo. Oront has taken a job of drawing shooks to Brownfield depot for Augustine Ingalls.

A. H. Witham has swapped his smallest 3-year-old colt with Alphonso Hinton for a 6-year-old mare.

Mrs. Hannah Hubbard, mother of Sidney Oront's wife, late of Limington, died at Mr. Oront's, Sunday evening, the 24th, of heart trouble, aged 78 years. Her remains were taken to Limington, Tuesday, and funeral there, Wednesday p. m.

NORWAY SOCIETY DIRECTORY;

A cordial invitation is extended to strangers who belong to any of these organizations to visit meetings when in town.

OXFORD LODGE, F. & A. M., No. 18, meets in Masonic Hall, Monday evening, on or before full moon. Chas. F. Riddell, W. M.; H. D. Smith, Sec'y.

UNION ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER, No. 36, meets in Masonic Hall, Wednesday evening, on or before full moon. B. F. Bradbury, H. P.; H. D. Smith, Sec'y.

NORWAY LODGE, No. 16, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall every Tuesday evening. Eugene C. Libby, N. G.; C. G. Mason, Sec'y.

WILDER ESCHMAYER LODGE, No. 24, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall the second and fourth Friday evenings of each month. Morton L. Kimball, C. P.; C. G. Mason, Sec'y.

MR. HOPE REBEKAH LODGE, No. 55, I. O. O. F., meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the first and third Friday evenings of each month. Ella M. Harriman, N. G.; Olive A. Woodman, Sec'y.

HARRY RUST POST, No. 54, G. A. R., meets in G. A. R. Hall, on the third Friday evening of each month. S. L. Etheridge, Com.; W. S. Corwell & M.

PENNSYLVANIA LODGE, No. 18, K. of P., meets in their hall, Hathaway Block, every Thursday evening. Lee M. Watson, C. G.; Morton L. Kimball, K. of H. S. S.

A. O. NOYES COMPANY, No. 12, U. R. K. of P., meets in Pythian Hall, the third Friday in each month. Alf. R. Knapp, K. of H. S. S.; Joseph W. Lebrack, Sir Knight Recorder.

NORWAY COMMANDERY, No. 24, U. R. K. of P., meets at and on Wednesday evenings of each month. Geo. L. Jackson, N. G.; Lucella Merriam, K. of R.

LAKESIDE LODGE, No. 17, N. E. O. P., meets in G. A. R. Hall on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month. G. Julian Brown, Warden; Mrs. O. A. Holsen, Secretary.

STONY BROOK LODGE, No. 18, N. E. O. P., meets at Grand Army Hall, South Paris, the second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month. Horace A. Swan, Warden; Mrs. E. D. Swan, Sec.

NORWAY AND SOUTH PARIS COUNCIL, No. 19, O. U. A. M., meets at G. A. R. Hall, South Paris, every Monday night at 8 o'clock. M. F. Gammon, Councilor; B. R. Howard, Rec. Sec. 36d

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J. A. HARDING, Pastor.
Teaching Service at 10 o'clock, P. M.; Sabbath School at 9 o'clock, P. M.; Prayer Meeting Friday, 7:30, P. M.

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NORTH NEWRY.

Mrs. Horatio Wight has been sick with a bad cold.

Walter Vail is driving team for Bennett & Staples.

There is a lyceum every Wednesday night at the Branch schoolhouse.

Mrs. F. A. Morse has a cat that she calls Tramp. One day last week he caught a partridge. It was not quite dead when he brought it into the house.

OXFORD.

The whooping-cough is quite prevalent in this vicinity.

Albert Robinson is having his house wired for electric lights.

Henry Hayes, who has been for some months past in New York State, has returned on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hayes.

Sunday evening, the Methodist society held a missionary meeting, the subject of which was Africa. The meeting was conducted by Mrs. Arthur Varley, the missionary committee of the society. The geography of Africa and the location of missions was explained by Rev. Arthur Varley. The following topics were discussed: Occupation, Mrs. Hazen; Dress and Houses, Miss Farris; Religion, Miss Carney; Work of Missionaries, Jennie Rich; Life of Livingstone, Kate Starbird. Other members of the society contributed facts about Africa. The meeting was an interesting and profitable one.

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SWEDEN.
Little Clarence Flint's hand was injured from his father's team passing over it.

Jim Porter and son Fred are in camp in Ed. Davis' camp, cutting birch for K. O. Moulton on the E. W. Bennett lot.

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NEWRY.
There was a lyceum in the Branch schoolhouse, Thursday evening.

Mrs. Howker from Randolph, N. H., is stopping with her son, Cornelius Thompson, who is still quite sick with rheumatism.

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in the
neglect—
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lead to a
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DR. O. N. BRADBURY.

Norway's Faithful Historian Lays Down His Pen.—Sketch of a Life That will be Ever Prominent in the Annals of This Town.

This prominent citizen passed away, Friday afternoon, Jan. 22. He had for many years suffered from an asthmatic trouble and lately had been confined to the house.

Osgood Nathan Bradbury, the fourth of the twelve children of Jacob and Sarah E. (Ripley) Bradbury, was born in Norway, Oct. 28, 1828. His parents were poor and his struggles for an education were severe. He attended the district schools when he could be spared from the work on the farm, and was for a time a student of Norway Liberal Institute. He entered the office of Dr. Asa Danforth and commenced the study of his chosen profession.

He was a successful school teacher, and for several winters received the dollars a month and board given. When a little past his majority, he went "down east," and remained several years, teaching for a time at Springfield, and afterwards bookkeeping at East Machias.

In 1856, he went to California, whence he returned in 1860. He entered the office of Dr. P. C. Jones of Springfield and resumed the study of medicine. Taking a course in the Maine Medical School, he got his diploma in 1864. Later in life he took a special course in the Southern Medical College, of Atlanta, Ga.

After graduation, Dr. Bradbury commenced practice in the Cony military hospital at Augusta, which institution was controlled by the United States government. He was appointed executive officer, and began practice as a country physician. He afterwards returned to his native town and had since resided here with the exception of several years when he was located in Paris. He was thirteen years United States examining surgeon in Norway, and for several years he had not been actively engaged in his profession.

Politically, Dr. Bradbury was one of the early followers of the doctrines of the Republican party. When studying medicine at Springfield, he was elected to the Maine Medical School, he was an active worker in the political field. In 1862 he represented the Springfield district in the house and the two next years was one of Fenoscut county's Senators. He was chairman of the joint special committee on the death penalty, which, owing to the feeling then existing in the country, was one of the most important committees of the Legislature. The evolution of party belief and individual opinion caused him to transfer his allegiance to the Democratic party, and he became influential in the Oxford county deliberations of that party. In the last presidential campaign, he alone of all the Democratic leaders in Norway worked hard for the Chicago platform and nomination.

He was well known in the Grand Lodges of the Freemasons and Odd Fellows. He had been master of the Lodge of Masons, and also belonged to Chapter, Council and Commandery. He had been president of the Oxford County Encampment of the Odd Fellows.

As he withdrew from the practice of medicine, Dr. Bradbury took up 'in earnest' the study of local history, which he had always found a fascinating study. One result of those studies was the writing of "Norway in the Past," which grew from a short series of personal recollections, to a great genealogical compilation. He gathered and wrote a complete genealogy of a majority of Norway families and thus rendered a service of immense value to the present and future students of Oxford County history. Last week, No. 257 of these papers appeared in the ADVERTISER. He put years of careful research into this work, but his patience was never exhausted, and it will be a lasting monument to his memory. It cost him considerable money for which he never received any returns, other than the satisfaction of knowing that he had done a good thing well.

He married Ellen R. Scribner of Springfield, who survives. They had two children, of whom one is living, Dr. Frank Bradbury of this town, a man that has met with success in the same profession as his father. The son married Mabel, daughter of the late Dr. Geo. P. Jones, whose death occurred only a few days prior to the passing away of the elder Dr. Bradbury.

When young, Dr. O. N. Bradbury must have been a fine specimen of physical manhood. Tall, broad-shouldered, with a heavy, compact frame, and having a large head firmly and easily poised above all, he was a person to attract and command attention.

The most conspicuous attribute of his character was his earnestness. Whatever he undertook was conquered in all its details. He was a deep and original thinker. Religiously, he was possessed of liberal ideas, had a strong belief in the existence of God, a spirit of reverence toward all actual faiths, and a broad toleration for all.

Sunday afternoon, the funeral was held at his late residence. It was largely attended, there being a numerous gathering of relatives and friends, and many present from the two orders in which he had been such a valuable member.

The relatives and friends who came from away were

Lyman Scribner, Springfield.
Mrs. Nellie Pottle, Waldham, Mass.
William H. Stevens and wife, Portland.
Clarence D. Waters, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

The services were conducted by Rev. S. S. Rideout, pastor of the Congregational church, where Dr. Bradbury had been a constant attendant. He spoke at length on the long life of usefulness of the deceased. A house service was conducted by the Freemasons.

The body was deposited in the tomb at Pine Grove Cemetery. A short Masonic service was spoken, before leaving him for his long rest.

The bearers were Alfred S. Kimball, George A. Brooks, Charles L. Hathaway, Charles E. Holt, William H. Whitcomb and William W. Widomarski.

His fraternalties and a large number of relatives and friends sent flowers.

Cyrus C. Johnson.

After a long illness, Cyrus C. Johnson died on the 11th inst., at his home in Bridgton village.

Mr. Johnson was a native and nearly life-long resident of Harrison. He was the son of late Zebulon and Nancy (Thompson) Johnson, of that town. Of their five sons and two daughters, three sons survive—Robert and John M., of Boston, and Thomas M., of Springfield. Mr. Johnson leaves a widow, nee Alma Sylvester of Bridgton.

By avocation, a farmer, Mr. Johnson took great interest in agriculture, and was an important factor at town and county fairs and other gatherings of the craft. Some twelve years ago he and his wife removed to Bridgton, where they have ever since continued to reside.

The deceased was a member of the Advent church, and the funeral was at Advent chapel, conducted by Rev. J. Albert Libby of West Poland. There were beautiful floral offerings from friends and kindred. The burial was in Forest Hill Cemetery.

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Systemized Plunder.

Now that the legislature is in session, look out for the establishment of new departments for private plunder. We might name many beneficiaries now existing, paid liberally from the State's treasury, seemingly or not, to the use of the inhabitants of the State. For some time a scheme has been brewing for downright robbery, through our educational system. The first step has been to howl over the "insufficient" pay of teachers, as though, in these times of sore business depression, when men, skilled in mechanics or agriculture, and perhaps sufficiently educated to graduate some of our teachers, can scarce earn enough to keep the wolf from the door, 30 hours per week, many times shortening the hours at both ends of the day, not to mention holidays, earning from \$60 to \$100 per month, it won't seem, with the wretched condition of our schools as per report, that avarice had taken a strong hold of our education.

Some years ago, a young man applied for a school. "Yes," says the agent, "I will give you a chance." But nothing could be settled definitely for some time. Finally, when the matter could be deferred no longer, the school superintendent, "If your father will cancel my account you can have the school." The young man did not engage the school, see?

In those days this was counted sharp practice, but to-day it would be considered a mild form of extortion. A Teacher's Agency to multi-a young teacher in form, and not content with this we must place a Czar at the head of our institutions of learning, who would divide the spoils of the State, and subordinate a system of legalized robbery is established.

Not long since a town supervisor asserted that "He had full control of all schools" irrespective of the will of the board.

It also transpires that a school superintendent if he has a "pull" can make illegal expenditures of money, and by reason of this "pull" can go scot free. How long shall we submit to be plundered?

Condensed Testimony.

Chas. B. Hood, Broker and Manufacturer's Agent, Columbus, Ohio, certifies that Dr. King's New Discovery has no equal as a Cough Remedy. J. D. Brown, Prop. St. James Hotel, Ft. Wayne, Ind., testifies that he was cured of a Cough of two years standing, caused by La Grippe, by Dr. King's New Discovery. B. E. Merrill, Baldwinville, Mass., says that he has used and recommended it, and never regretted it. He would rather have it than any doctor, because it always cures. Mrs. Hamming, 222 E. 28th St., Chicago, always keeps it at hand and has no fear of Croup, because it instantly relieves. Dr. J. C. Chase & Co., New York, Druggists, Norway, and Shurtliff's Pharmacy, South Paris.

FOR MINOR STUDENTS.

Hon. C. S. Noyes, of Washington, D. C., a native of Minot, has recently made two gifts to Bowdoin College, of \$4,000 and \$1,000 respectively.

The first (\$4,000) was given to establish a scholarship, to be known as the Crosby Stuart Noyes Scholarship, the interest of which is to be given to needy and "deserving" students, preference being given to those from Minot.

The income from the \$1,000 is to be given as a prize each year to the student in political economy securing highest rank.

Mr. Noyes is a prominent journalist at the Capitol and editor of the Washington Star. He is also an eminent student of economics.

The progressive ladies of Westfield, Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 8, 1896. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and we notice the following from a correspondent, which the editors printed, realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: "The best remedy for croup, colds and bronchitis, that I have been able to find is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it." 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Noyes Drug Store, 1-5

A pension has been granted Nelson B. Mann of Hanover.

FRYEBURG.

Mr. Perry of Boston is visiting at Mr. Jenness'.

Charles Hutchins is home from Lowell, Mass.

S. H. Harriman has returned from New York.

Mrs. E. J. Brackett is in Massachusetts for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Charles spent Sunday at North Fryeburg.

The Chautauqua circle met with Rev. B. N. Stone, Monday evening.

Mrs. John Harriman was taken to the insane asylum at Augusta, last week.

Gertrude Haley is teaching the winter term of school, in the Haley neighborhood.

Mrs. Frank Thoms has opened dress-making rooms at her home, near Fryeburg.

Owing to the storm of Thursday, there was but one session in the public schools.

Nathan Osgood, of Fargo, N. D., a former resident of this place, is visiting Frank Osgood.

Rev. E. H. Abbott occupied his pulpit at the Congregational church, Sunday, after an absence of several weeks.

H. S. Pearl, a student in the academy, was obliged to return to his home in Bangor, last week, owing to illness.

The supper advertised for Thursday evening at the New Church, was postponed until Friday, on account of the severe storm.

Mr. Haley gave a most interesting talk before the members of the Woman's Club, Friday p. m. He spoke of the habits and homes of the squirrel, rabbit, mouse, crow, whippoorwill and other animals.

A course of entertainments is to be given here, under the auspices of the Masonic Lodge. The first one will be on Jan. 28, by the Russian Concert Co. of Boston. The place will be the Congregational church.

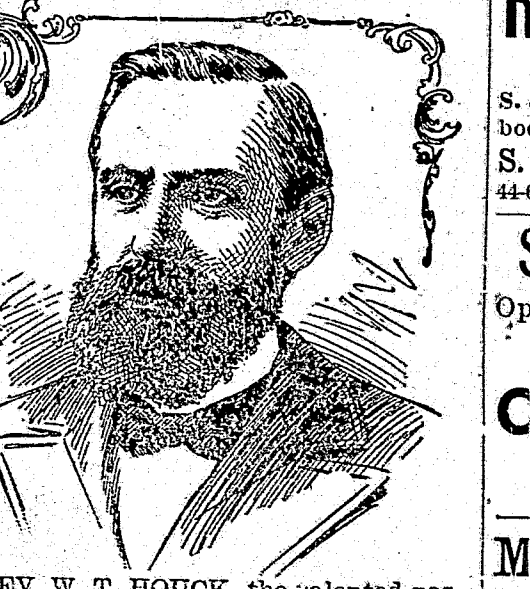
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Three chapters of Royal Arch Masons in Maine have elected new members. Adams to one of the three first offices in the chapter. They are located at Norway, Augusta and Liberty.

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"You'll blister those pretty hands of yours inside of an hour," sneered the man, but as before he was unpleasantly.

"I might try," suggested Alec.

"Well, maybe you can earn your board," said Milo, turning to work again, for the others had stopped the moment he did. "I wouldn't pay you a cent for what you would do the first day. You can find a hoe inside the barn up there."

Alec stood undecided for a moment, but no one was paying the slightest attention to him, so he walked silently back to the house, and at last, with the help of the pretty girl, found the hoe.

He rebelled at the idea of working merely for his board, but the fear of having to draw again so heavily on his very small amount of cash decided him to work one day at least. If he only earned his board, they certainly would not expect him to work very hard.

Mr. Bennett, or Milo, as they called him, even the boys, took some pains to show him how to manage his hoe, how to pull the weeds out from among the potatoes without pulling up the potato vines, too, and then how to hill the dirt up and make it compact all around.

It was more of a trick than he had imagined, and he took some interest in learning how to do it neatly and quickly. But as his employer had prophesied, his hands were blistered inside of an hour, and he had to wind his handkerchief about the right one in order to keep it from becoming torturously sore.

Besides, his back began to ache pretty soon, and before very long it ached so that it seemed as if he couldn't keep at work. But he was determined not to give up for any such thing as that.

Of course Alec did not try to keep up with the others, whose hands were apparently as tough as iron and whose backs never ached, for they walked straight along, down one row, back another, the four of them abreast and seeming to have a sort of pride in keeping even, though now and then one would drop behind for some reason or other. When at last he heard a great bell ring up at the house, and looking up saw the pretty girl in the kitchen doorway ringing it, he knew it must be dinner time. But he kept on working, not noticing that the four men had dropped their hoes as suddenly as the sound of the bell as if they had been automatons. But Milo called out good naturedly:

"Better come along to dinner now. I guess you've earned it. How are your hands?"

The others said nothing, but laughed together, and as they walked slowly up toward the house they glanced at Alec every now and then in such a way that he felt uncomfortable. Only his pride made him affect an indifference that became him very well.

No one paid any particular attention to him, and as dinner was not quite ready he was glad enough to sit down and rest. He saw coming and going within a tall, angular woman whom they called mother, but she paid no more attention to him than did the others, though she had never seen him before. Milo came around once as the pretty girl passed near by and said:

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Alec answered.

"She's Maud. She's my girl. I call her my little duck. Do you think they have nicer girls in the city, now?" went on Milo after learning Alec's name.

Maud paused a moment and then went on with her work, apparently quite indifferent to the "young city swell." Alec had been standing before the little looking glass combing his wet hair and would have been very much embarrassed had he not been invited at that moment to move up to the table, where, with the others, he partook of a simple dinner of baked beans and pork, cold brown bread, boiled beets, green peas, potatoes, radishes and baked rice pudding, with cranberry tarts to top off. He found afterward that in this family baked beans and potatoes were the staple of every meal, and pie of some kind usually appeared for breakfast, supper and frequently for dinner too. They also had cold cider, but Milo and Mr. Condon were the only ones who partook of it, and consequently Alec felt impelled to refuse.

CHAPTER IV.
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As they returned to the field in the afternoon the boys laughed and joked with Alec as they did with each other, and Milo seemed to wear a mildly indulgent expression, though he said nothing. Alec's hands were rather sore, and his back ached without ceasing, but he wore a more cheerful aspect. The prospect of immediate starvation was removed, and he was actually earning his board.

During the afternoon he worked rather less steadily than he had started out. He was getting only his board, he said to himself, and Milo would respect him less rather than more if he did too much, though he had an impression that New England farmers would screw out of a man everything they could get and be greedy for more, and when he sat in the shade a full half hour after he had been working for two hours he could not help watching to see if Milo did not start in his direction to give him a little gentle warning. But Milo said nothing, and when the boys came near him they joked him about the tenderness of his hands—fun which was meant good naturedly enough, but which pricked his pride and set him to work quite as effectively as any real anxiety of the boss.

About a quarter to 6, though no supper bell had rung, Milo remarked that he guessed it was about time to quit and started off across the fields toward the barn alone. As they stood leisurely cleaning their hoes the boys laughed and joked and called out to Alec that it was time to stop and put sweet oil on his hands. Mr. Condon had promptly shouldered his hoe and started off across the field in the opposite direction toward his own house, while the two boys and Alec leisurely walked around by the road to the house and big barn on the hill.

As they came up to the kitchen door they found Maud standing there, and she said supper was ready. Alec could not help admiring her. She was so straight, and her cheeks were so rosy, and her features seemed made for sweetness had not necessity put in the firm, stiff lines. She evidently got no tenderness from any one. Her mother was a tall, angular woman and known as a great worker. Alec smiled to himself as he guessed what a reputation in that way she must have. She worked all the time with a muscular steadiness that was truly surprising in a woman, and she kept Maud at work quite as steadily. Evidently the girl had been used, to it all her life and expected nothing else. Milo was evidently fond of her, but his wife did not think his indulgent manner was good for Maud, so he had to be tender at a distance, as it were, and Maud had been too rigidly brought up to encourage his awkward kindness in any way except by passive gratitude.

The next day being went more easily, though Alec's hands were rather sore, and his back was stiff. He felt unspeakably tired when he woke up in the morning, but he noticed that Dally, the younger of the two boys, seemed tired, too, and Jerry, who was usually full of dry jokes, seemed rather glum. When he got into the field, he began to learn the art of taking his work more easily, though he kept at it rather more steadily than he had the previous afternoon. He saw by observing the rows of the others that it wasn't necessary to be so thorough and painstaking, quite as he had been, and there were a number of ways in which the dirt could be shuffled over the weeds without digging them out, as he had done before. Two months later Milo observed that the few rows Alec had hoed that first day had very few weeds in them, while the others were badly grown up. But Alec never knew that, for his labors for Mr. Bennett were destined to end five days later because of an unforeseen contingency.

They finished the hoeing the following Monday. The next day was the Fourth of July, and the day after that they were to begin haying. The boys talked about it constantly, for they were exceedingly happy to get out of the dirt and the potato patch into the clean, sweet work of handling the dried grass. On every farm a change is looked forward to with expectancy, but haying is particularly attractive, and the men probably enjoy it better than anything else. Dally had privately confided to Alec that he had no doubt Milo would employ him and give him \$1 a day, the full price being \$1.50. Alec already regarded this as a settled thing and put all his personal worries out of his mind.

When they finished supper on Monday night, they all sat around the table listlessly and planned what they would do to celebrate the Fourth. The Fourth is a great day in the country, a genuine holiday for everybody. There was the circus to go to at Pavoia, five miles away. Maud evidently wanted to go to the circus and said she had never been. But Dally said he didn't care a rap for the circus. He had been there year before. This year he wanted to go fishing over in Beaver pond. He had heard that there were some fine pike and trout over there, and he meant to have a try at the pike in the morning and a try at the trout in the evening. Jerry said nothing whatever about his plans, but Alec was privately informed by Dally that Jerry was going over "to take his girl to the Baptist picnic." It seemed that, though the Bennetts were orthodox, Melly Seaton's folks were Baptists. But naturally that made no difference to a devoted lover like Jerry, who was quite willing to become a Baptist for Melly's sake. Alec could not help laughing at the idea of the tall, ungainly, drool fellow in the role of lover. But he had no doubt that Jerry and Melly managed it perfectly.

Maud complained that she was always left out and never could go anywhere, for the boys wouldn't take her. Her mother said she had plenty to do at home, and there was no need of her going off to the circus or anywhere else. Milo said he would have taken her to the circus himself if he didn't have to go over to see Plimpton Jones' colt, which he was thinking of buying to pair with Jerry's, name of his stepson. He said they must have an extra team for buying, since the old white horse John had died.

Mrs. Bennett seemed to have no idea of doing anything but stay at home and work, as she was always working. A holiday would have appeared to her a sheer waste of so much time.

Alec wondered at first what he would do himself, but finally took pity on Maud and decided to ask her if she wouldn't go to the circus with him. He hardly knew whether Milo would let him have a horse and buggy, but, considering the old gentleman's tender feeling toward Maud, he presumed he would.

It was also a question whether Mrs. Bennett would permit her daughter to go off for the whole day with a stranger like himself, and this was his most doubtful point of all. He decided to speak to Milo first.

He followed the boss, as the boys familiarly called their stepfather, when he went to the barn with a big milk pail in each hand, and as the sturdy old gentleman sat down on his three-legged stool, and leaning his forehead against the side of the cow, began sending long, steady streams of milk rattling against the sides of the tin, Alec ventured to say:

"It has occurred to me, Mr. Bennett, that if you were willing to let me take your third horse and the open buggy Miss Maud might go over to Pavoia with me tomorrow."

Mr. Bennett seemed to be meditating, for he did not reply immediately. Alec thought perhaps the noise of the milk had prevented him from hearing, but that was not so.

"Have you spoken to the girl?" he inquired at last.

"I thought I'd better ask you about the horse first," replied Alec, feeling that there was something in the other's mind which he had not anticipated.

There was another pause, varied only by the steady swish of the long streams of milk, but at last Mr. Bennett said something to the effect:

"Well, I guess you can have the horse. But I wouldn't mention nothing about going to the circus to the women folks. I'll speak to the girl about it when I get down milking. You'll have to start pretty early in the morning, but if it's a pleasant day, as it looks like tonight, I guess you'll get along all right. I can tell mother after you get started."

Alec appreciated the situation immediately and judiciously walked away. He felt as if he ought to chat with Maud a little, but he didn't feel like sitting in the kitchen again after Mrs. Bennett's dismisal of the first evening. So he lay down on a long wagon seat and decided to let Mr. Bennett manage the whole thing and said nothing to any one until Milo had broached the subject again himself.

Just before he went to bed that night Milo said to him in a confidential tone that they had better start about 7 o'clock, and he would see that the horse and buggy were ready. That was all that was said until he drove away with Maud the next morning. It was plain that Milo had managed the whole affair, approved of by the mother and in her daughter a pleasant holiday it was.

When they got fairly started, Alec had an opportunity to observe his fair companion. As for himself, he had borrowed a better suit of clothes than his tramp suit (the only one he had) from Dally. It was very ill fitting and cheap, but it was of a sensible brown, and he flattered himself it made him look like a genuine country boy. Maud was dressed very demurely and simply in a gray calico dress, with red and green ivy leaves dotted over it. The skirt was a full, round one, with a belt of the same material, and at her neck and in her sleeves the girl wore simple white muslin. She had on a broad leghorn hat trimmed with white lawn in the simplest style. Her rosy cheeks, steady gray eyes and brown, healthy hands completed the picture. Alec felt awkward and rough beside her and wished he had been better dressed. But Maud was apparently not displeased with him, for she talked simply and cheerfully of a thousand commonplace little subjects, such as the hoeing, the haying, the dairies, the brooks and the people of the village, whom Alec did not know, but about whom she talked so freely and so heard her talk before, and her simple little effort to entertain him was altogether agreeable. He did his best to keep up his end and told her a good many things, which evidently seemed to her wonderful, and gave her an insight into his previous condition, which he had not meant at this point to betray. But he silenced himself by thinking that he had confidence in her discretion.

The drive of five miles to the town was the pleasantest part of the day. They arrived in Pavoia about 9 o'clock, and Maud and Alec went to the stable and put up their horse in the stable and have him fed for 25 cents. By the time the horse was disposed of the parade of brightly colored wagons supposed to be filled with animals was about to start from the circus' tents, toward which they went. There were some beautiful white horses, with nodding plumes on their heads, and several elephants and camels and a few less common animals such as the llama.

Maud seemed quietly drinking in everything and followed about close beside her escort, saying little. Alec was quite as much interested in the crowd of people. The girls were simple, and in a rustic way, pretty and well dressed, and Alec wondered again and again how they could put up with such awkward, hulking fellows as invariably escorted them. These young men all seemed to have hard, horny hands, grimy with their labors, trousers two inches too short for them and plain ginghams shirts garnished by neckties that looked much out of place or else they had on white shirts that seemed to make them excessively unbecomingly.

They were all out in holiday costume and evidently having a good time. They walked about in crowds, saying little apparently to each other, but looking curiously at everything, fairly drinking in the circus. Alec was perfectly astonished at the number of people. It seemed as if every one for 15 miles around was there, old and young alike, bent old men and little children and grandmothers and a good many pairs of young men and women ranging in age from 15 to 45. There was one pair that looked fully 45, and Alec was sure they were out of their honeymoon.

At 2 o'clock the performance began, and they had quite a jolly time watching it. Afterward they spent some time in looking at the animals, which Maud seemed to study with a serious interest, for she evidently felt that here was some really useful knowledge which would keep the day from being entirely wasted. Alec was weary and in a hurry to get away, but she looked at each object with none the less conscientious curiosity.

The drive home was a silent one, for they were both tired. Alec felt very well content. Maud seemed to him an agreeable sort of girl, though she did not inspire the least sentimental feeling in his breast. He had had a pleasant day with her, which had made him quite forget his own hardships and doubts. Tomorrow he hoped to be earning \$1 a day, and that amply consoled him for not having a single cent in his pocket.

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UNION ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER, No. 36. Meets in Masonic Hall, Wednesday evening, on or before full moon. B. F. Bradbury, H. P.; H. D. Smith, Sec'y.

NORWAY LODGE, No. 16, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall every Tuesday evening. Eugene C. Libby, N. G.; C. G. Mason, Sec'y.

WILDEY EXALTED LODGE, No. 21, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall the second and fourth Friday evenings of each month. Merton L. Kimball, C. P.; G. C. Mason, Sec'y.

MR. HOPE REBEKAH LODGE, No. 58, I. O. O. F., meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the first and third Friday evenings of each month. Ella M. Hartman, N. G.; Olive A. Woodman, Sec'y.

HARVEY REEF POST, No. 54, G. A. R., meets in G. A. R. Hall, on the third Friday evening of each month. S. L. Etheridge, Com.; W. S. Conwell, Q. M.

PENNSYLVANIA LODGE, No. 18, K. of P., meets in their hall, Hathaway Block, every Thursday evening. Lee M. Watson, C. C.; Merton L. Kimball, K. of R. & S.

A. O. NOYES COMPANY, No. 12, U. R. K. of P., meets in Pythian Hall, the third Friday in each month. A. J. Rowe, Sir Knight Captain; Joseph W. Leobrock, Sir Knight Recorder.

NORWAY COMRADESHIP, No. 247, U. O. G. C., meets at and on Wednesday evenings of each month. Geo. L. Jackson, N. G.; Lucetta Merriam, K. of R.

LAKESIDE LODGE, No. 177, N. E. O. P., meets in G. A. R. Hall, on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month. G. Julian Brown, Warden; Mrs. O. A. Holton, Sec'y.

STONY BROOK LODGE, No. 181, N. E. O. P., meets at Grand Army Hall, South Paris, the second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month. Horace L. Swan, Warden; Mrs. E. D. Swan, Sec'y.

NORWAY AND SOUTH PARIS COUNCIL, No. 19, U. O. G. C., meets at G. A. R. Hall, South Paris, every Monday night at 8 o'clock. M. F. Gammon, Councilor; K. R. Howard, Rec. Sec. 365

FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH. Rev. G. R. Angell, Pastor. Services begin at 10 o'clock. Sunday school at 12, and Young People's Christian Union at 4 o'clock. Strangers are cordially invited. 42-41

Feb. 22—Oxford County Medical Association, Mechanic Falls.

New Advertisements.
Castoria. Agents Wanted. Nine Legal Notices. Royal Baking Powder. Wall Paper—F. P. Stone. Apple Barrels—J. H. Hamlin. Dentures—C. F. Jones & Son. Statement of Insurance Co. New Dress Goods—J. H. Hamlin. Statement Hartford Fire Insurance Co. Logs Wanted—C. B. Cummings & Sons. Union Mutual Life Ins. Co.—C. E. Tolman.

Fred A. Porter has been nominated by Gov. Powers, coroner.

C. W. Warren of Fryeburg will apply for admission to the bar, at the February term of Supreme Court.

M. Jordan & Son of Harrison are having a clearance sale. They are selling a long list of desirable goods at reduced prices.

The Bridgton Academy natural history room has recently received gifts of specimens from Herbert L. Spinney, Popple Beach; Ed G. Tarr, W. H. Allen and J. C. Mead of North Bridgton.

The machine lasters at the Chase, Merritt Co. shoe factory at Mechanic Falls went out on a strike, Monday afternoon. There seems to be some misunderstanding in regard to class of shoes lasted. The work is marked A, S and X according to grade and the lasters claim that they have been doing A work at N prices.

Monday, the Grand Trunk railway put in force a new regulation regarding bicycle fares. In future wheelmen will be charged a tariff for the transportation of their wheels, varying according to distance, in proportion to the rate paid for the passenger's ticket. Where the cost of the ticket exceeds the fee for carrying the wheel will be six per cent of the ticket rate. For less distances the rate will be larger, no fee being less than 25 cents. Bicycles will be carried on passenger trains only when passengers accompany them.

Traverse Jurors for the February term of Supreme Court have been drawn as follows:

Paris, Frank L. Berry and E. I. Spofford. Norway, Charles H. Sargent and Charles E. Gammon. Rumford, Josiah F. Hall and Wilder V. Kimball.

Waterford, W. H. Kilgore. Woodstock, Theodore E. Chase. Brownfield, Thomas Seavey. Canton, Virgil Cole. Gilead, D. R. Hastings. Oxford, Frank L. Wilson. Hebron, Levi B. Merrill. Lovell, Orson B. Andrews. Albany, Charles P. Pingree. Hartford, William P. Hayford. Greenwood, L. P. Bryant. Dixfield, John J. Holman. Rockfield, Z. C. Holmes. Bethel, Charles L. Swan. Judson, F. Bartlett. Denmark, Harlan F. Lord.

HARRISON.
Orrin Ross has taken spruce to haul, for Joseph Pitts.

Mrs. M. Lombard is on the sick list, since her return from Monmouth.

Our ice bridge is now in running order and many are improving their opportunities.

Do we think of the executions of 1892? Of the 239 in the State Prison, 181 were carried out without judge or jury.

A town-meeting has been called for next Wednesday. The proposition is to vote on granting right of way to the proposed electric railroad to Norway.

The petition for a town-meeting was signed by such solid business men as C. S. Whitney, H. H. Caswell and M. Jordan.

NORWAY LAKE.
Samuel Partridge still remains quite feeble.

A. D. Kilgore has been to Lewiston on business.

Iva Kilgore was threatened with pneumonia, last week, but is better now.

J. L. Partridge has improved so that he has rode to the village and back twice.

Mrs. Charles Welch went to Boston, Wednesday. She intends to be gone about a week.

Mrs. Winnie Hall and little Elden have been visiting at her uncle's, Elbridge Gammon's, a few days.

RUMFORD.
Mrs. Butters' daughters will return to their school at Stoneham, this week.

Othy and Harold Hutchins entertained their young friends, last Saturday evening.

F. Q. Elliott of Norway spent Sunday with his mother, who has been quite ill but is now recovering.

E. E. Morse, Supt. of Schools, will commence a term of high school at Rumford Post, Monday, Feb. 1st.

A large crowd attended the gentlemen's sociable, last week, at the hall. A very nice supper and a good, jolly crowd made a nice time for all.

NORTH NEWRY.

Mrs. Horatio Wight has been sick with a bad cold.

Walter Vail is driving team for Bennett & Staples.

There is a lyceum every Wednesday night at the Branch schoolhouse.

Mrs. F. A. Morse has a cat that she calls Tramp. One day last week he caught a partridge. It was not quite dead when he brought it into the house.

Ringed noises in the ears, snapping, buzzing, roaring, caused by catarrh, all disappear with the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla.

OXFORD.
The whooping-cough is quite prevalent in this vicinity.

Albert Robinson is having his house wired for electric lights.

Harry Hayes, who has been for some months past in New York State, has returned on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hayes.

Sunday evening, the Methodist society held a missionary meeting, the subject of which was Africa. The meeting was conducted by Mrs. Arthur Varley, the missionary committee of the society.

The geography of Africa and the location of missions was explained by Rev. Arthur Varley. The following topics were discussed: Occupation, Mrs. Hayes; Dress and Houses, Miss Harris; Religion, Miss Carman; Work of Missionaries, Jennie Richel; Life of Livingstone, Kate Starbird. Other members of the society contributed facts about Africa. The meeting was an interesting and profitable one.

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Prof. Bateman gave a course of lectures here on phonology, physiology and kindred subjects. The closing lecture was on the Lost Arts and the ruins of the oriental countries. With the professor's thorough knowledge of his subject and wonderful command of language, he can entertain and instruct an audience in a manner second to none.

His description of the birth, growth and decay of nations, a knowledge of which in part he has gathered from his own travels abroad, is intensely interesting, and liable to take some of the conceit out of those who have formed the idea that we above all people lead in the arts and sciences. He lectures at Canton, this week.

Little Willfred Benson, the 7-year-old son of B. Y. Benson of Whitman, Mass., formerly of Hartford, came near being drowned a short time since. While skating he came too near an opening, went in and had gone down for the last time, when a 17-year-old youth dove in and brought him out unconscious. Just at that time two tramps came along, one of whom had formerly been a sailor, when taking in the situation, instantly commenced proceedings to resuscitate him, which he succeeded in doing, then wrapping his own coat around him took him to a house, where a doctor was called.

Later on the boy asked his mother, "Why didn't God come and take me out of the water?" "He sent the tramps to do that," quoth the mother. After a few moments' consideration he said, "I don't see it in that light." Some may say the simplicity of the child confounded the wise, but some other like the boy "might not see it in that light," but rather, the innate wisdom of the child mirrors some of the fallacious teachings of our day.

ALBANY.
The town meeting was a failure, some error in the warrant.

Will Grover has gone to Milan, N. H., where he has engaged to draw spurs.

Fred Clark has gone to Shelburne, N. H., with his team to work for Mr. Wheeler.

Harry Bird of Biddeford was in town, last week, calling on friends and neighbors.

The circle at the vestry, Friday, was a success. Notwithstanding the bad traveling quite a large company gathered and had a very pleasant time.

The snow of last week has started business here and every one seems anxious to do their part to keep a road open but the elements are against them.

CORNISH.
Several local dramas are being prepared.

Leroy F. Pike, our representative at Augusta, honors us with an occasional visit.

Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Spring of Hiram are visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Merrill of this place.

Two candidates out for the P. O., Howard Brackett and John F. Jameson, with more to follow.

It is rumored that T. D. Emery, our leading clothing man, is to remove his business to Harrison.

W. H. Nevers, formerly our leading jeweler, now of South Waterford, was in town a few days last week.

J. E. Jameson, who has been confined to the house for several weeks, is now seen in his accustomed place.

The traveling shows, the past winter, have been conspicuous by their absence, also church suppers and socials.

"Old Mr. Rand," as he was familiarly known, passed away at the residence of his son, John F. Rand, Friday, the 15th.

Harrison Ayer and wife have returned from their extended visit with their daughter, Mrs. Mabel Richardson of East Baldwin.

The copartnership existing between John F. Jameson and Cyrus G. Marr has been dissolved. Mr. Marr retires on account of ill health.

The illustrated lectures at the Congregational church by Rev. J. B. Saer are unusually fine. Such broad subjects as London, Rome, Paris and Venice are being taken up.

The Cornish Cycle-Club held their 3d annual ball at Union Hall, Wednesday evening, Jan. 20th. The hall was beautifully decorated with some 800 yds. of red, white and blue bunting, also a number of wheels artistically trimmed.

C. H. Vadleigh, who purchased the stock of P. Dargin, has completely closed it out, by means of a ten days' sale during the holidays, an auction on Saturday, the 16th inst., and the last being absorbed by the firm of Marr & Small.

Every woman has natural curiosity to see how other women furnish their homes. To satisfy this the Ladies' Home Journal will publish during the year interior photographic views of a hundred of the most artistic, cheerful and comfortable homes in America.

CASCO.

Ethel Edwards is on the gain.

Will Perris is filling his ice-house.

Mrs. Hall Edwards has sore throat. Bessie Edwards froze her nose, on Tuesday.

Charles Lovice is visiting his cousin, W. Burgess.

Lella Stuart of Bolster's Mills is visiting at S. M. Gay's.

Dexter Edwards and G. K. Hanson are visiting in their ice.

Mrs. Fannie Cook of Cook's Mills is on a sick list at present.

Cyrus M. Barton froze both his ears, going to school, last Tuesday.

Eleazer Meserve froze his toe so that it split open, while at work in the woods.

Gertrude Cook has returned from Connecticut, where she has been on a visit.

Lucy Cook of Raymond has been visiting friends in Cook's Mills and Shadigee, a past week.

Tuesday, the 10th, was the coldest day of the season, the mercury not rising to zero, during the day.

Mrs. John Brackett, son and daughter, also Miss Spaulding of Harrison, are in this place, making calls, Saturday.

S. M. Gay, who has been suffering for number of weeks with sciatic rheumatism, is now gaining under the skillful treatment of his physician.

Chas. Cole of Raymond was in town, to 23d.

Leona Page, who has been stopping in Portland, is at home.

Mary Hancock has been visiting in Raymond, a number of days.

Richard Cook, our representative, is home for a few days from Augusta.

Joseph Churchill and son George of North Raymond were in town, last week, on business.

F. B. Nichols has a large crew of men working for him in his mill, and also hauling lumber.

Rev. David Coburn gave a very interesting chalk talk to the young people, last Sunday evening.

Eddie Brackett of Harrison took dinner, Saturday, with his former schoolmate, Cyrus A. Leach.

The L. T. L. held their weekly meeting, the 23d, at the schoolhouse. Quite a number were present.

We were all glad to welcome the snow, the 21st, as many of the loggers were patiently waiting for snow.

Blanche L. Leach, who is attending the Normal School at Gorham, is at home for a vacation of a few days.

Mrs. Rebecca Decker is at home at present. She has been at her sister's at Westbrook for a number of months.

Sixteen of the young people in the place skated to Spurr's Corner, one night recently, to attend the Christian Endeavor Society.

Ernest L. Gay has returned home from Lynn, Mass., where he has been at work, on account of the severe illness of his father, Solomon Gay.

Saturday night, Jan. 30th, the L. T. L. will have a supper, apron sale and social, in Mann's Hall at Casco village. All are cordially invited.

Cynthia Jordan has gone to Bethel to help care for her little nephew, Rev. Israel Jordan's son, who is very sick with diphtheria, but at last report was much better.

SNOW'S FALLS.
Clarence E. Stearns is at work on the bicycle shop at West Paris.

Chas. D. Cordwell was out of the sled factory, a few days last week.

Mabel L. Curtis is at work for Thos. O. Lurvey of Woodstock, for a short time.

Phineas J. Stearns returned to Boston, Tuesday. His father, Levi D. Stearns, is in poor health.

Annie L. Stearns who has been working at millinery at Dover, N. H., is at home for a vacation.

Will Gaetz who went to Wild River, logging the last of October, has been spending a week in this vicinity.

Herbert Scribner out ice on the river with an ice-plow, Wednesday of last week, for people from Stearns Hill.



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ANDOVER.
The ladies' circle meets with Mrs. Young at the parsonage on Wednesday this week.

Union meetings are to be held in the Congregational church, every evening this week excepting Wednesday.

One of R. A. Grover's heavy team houses has been very sick for a week past and does not seem to get much better.

The funeral of Clara Bailey was held at her father's house, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Young attended the funeral.

The large amount of snow which came last week has made business start in the woods. The lumbermen can now work their teams at good advantage.

Monday was one of the worst days of the winter so far, 20 degrees below zero and the wind blowing a gale made it very uncomfortable for those who had business on the road.

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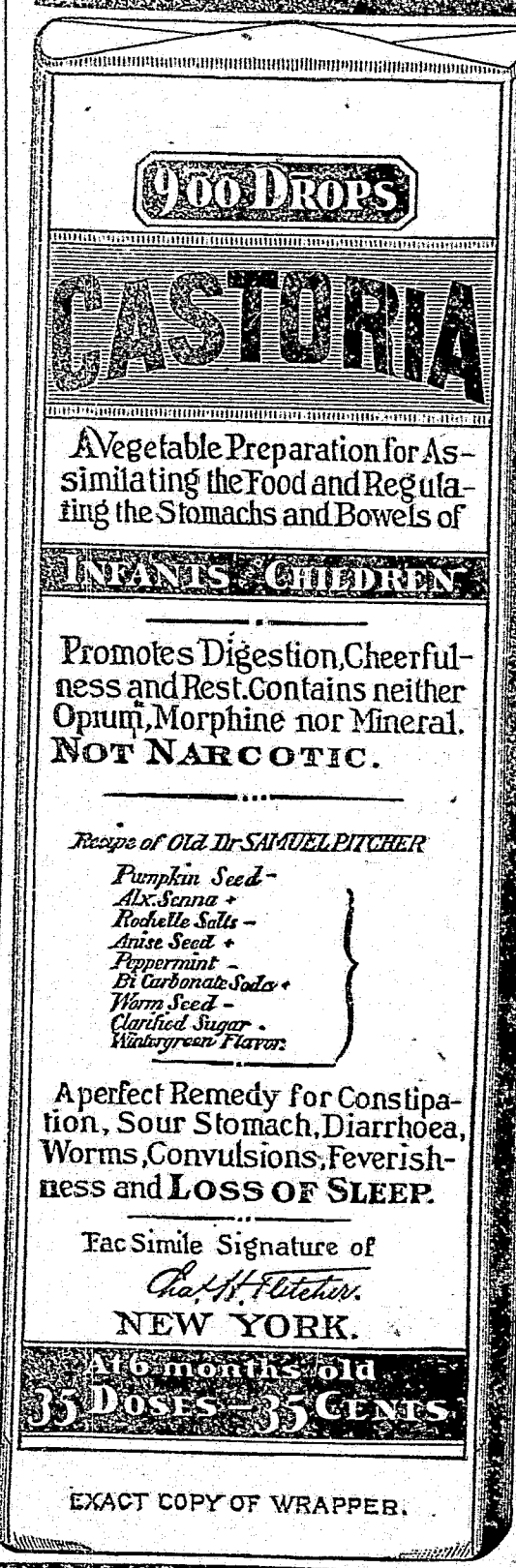
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At great reduction in price, to reduce stock and close out odd lots.

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Castoria is put up in one-size bottles only. It is not sold in bulk. Don't allow anyone to sell you anything else on the plea or promise that it is "just as good" and "will answer every purpose." See that you get C-A-S-T-O-R-I-A.

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BLANK BOOKS, STATIONERY, AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Largest Stock in Oxford County. Wholesale and Retail.

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BABBITT METAL 30 cents per pound for sale at this office for 10 cents per pound. Call or address F. W. SANBORN, Norway, Me.

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A Great Bargain.

500 Yards of All-Wool Flannel, 50 inches wide, at the very low price of 29 cents per yard. Worth 50c.

Dark Brown, Light Brown, Dark and Light Brown mixed, Navy Blue, French Blue and Red.

MERRITT : WELCH,

Norway, Maine.

Send for Samples.

NORTH ALBANY.

Mrs. Mary Morrill has returned to her home in Bethel, where she lives with her daughter, Mrs. Cora Morrill.

The biggest snow storm of the season was last Thursday, which was a great help to teamsters. Business has been rushing for the past few days.

It looks as if we should have good roads through this place, as R. K. Morrill has six teams hauling logs and A. S. Bean has from three to nine hauling cord wood.

Ed Rolfe has been seen hauling logs for the past few days.

On Bald Mountain.

Lo, a voice was heard crying in the wilderness. How many readers of the ADVERTISER know that there is a well patronized winter resort way up north of Andover on Old Bald Pate, and that just now the season is at its height.

The following guests are registered at Hotel Lombard: C. Brown, A. Strickland, N. Bragg, E. Chace, F. Prescott, A. Richards, O. Morse, H. Abbott, S. Asmuth, W. Bean, D. Russell, E. Ouhiman, J. Smith, H. McLeod, H. Perry, E. Flagg, R. Rawlins, W. Hotham, Geo. Cummings, Chef.

At Hotel DeLane there is at present: E. Eastman, G. Delany, B. Bartlett, R. Sprague, P. Eastman, C. Whitney, R. McPhee, W. McPhee, N. Sushbury, O. Cox, D. McArthur, W. Day, F. Perry, John Pierce, C. McInnis, B. Brooks, A. Wilson, R. Cutler, W. Bartlett. All from everywhere but here, and from here in the spring. About 12 inches of snow fell here, the 21, bringing out the four in hands, prominent among which we noticed Ed. Ouhiman's, whose style of footing down the mountain is a poem.

We learn that Lane Bros. are about to give a stag party, for which extensive preparations are being made, which will be the event of the season.

There will be services at the blacksmith shop at Lombard's, next Sunday, which will doubtless be largely attended by the guests at the neighboring resorts.

One of our most interesting invalids, H. Cole, left us, last week. He goes to take a treatment of the waters of Upton.

MASON.

Thursday, Jan. 21, we had a 14 inch snow storm and the lumbermen are smiling. Business is booming again.

Ernest Morrill put his teams into the woods, Tuesday of this week. He has two four ox teams and two horses.

Bert Littlefield of Stoneham was in town, the past week, with his peddle cart.

Deputy Sheriff Wormell of Bethel was in town, Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Monday and Tuesday were tedious days. The wind blew a gale for forty-eight hours with no let up. Monday the thermometer registered 16 degrees below zero at 6 a. m. and 10 below at noon.

FOR BETTER ROADS.

A few people whose eyes are blinded to the value of all changes and improvements by that species of faith which says that what was good enough for their fathers is good enough for them, will object to the good roads movement which got started in the legislature Thursday, but the great majority of the wide-awake, progressive citizens of Maine will herald the movement as one of the most important and most deserving of encouragement that a Maine legislature has ever had in hand. Better roads will make Maine richer, will tend to increase her population and will make her citizens in every way happier and more contented with their environment. The argument is all one way in the matter.

NORTHWEST ALBANY.

Georgie Mason is at home from Waterford.

Mrs. Fred McLeod has been sick with sore throat.

A. S. Bean's teams are hauling wood from this place.

Mrs. C. W. Rolfe and Mildred Rolfe have been to Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred McLeod made a pleasant call at C. W. Rolfe's, last week.

We hear that C. W. Mason's health is very poor. He is under two doctors' care in Medford, Mass.

OXFORD CO. IN HOUSE AND SENATE.

Senator Roberts of Oxford introduced a resolve appropriating \$500 a year for Parsonfield Academy.

Senator Poor of Oxford presented a petition asking for \$271.02 rebate of State taxes of Peru, illegally assessed.

A petition to set off eight acres from Bethel and annex it to Mason. This lot contains the farm buildings of Mary A. Dunham.

The Canton Bridge Co. asks to have its charter amended so that the length of the bridge constructed shall be 20 feet instead of 24.

A FREIGHT ERROR CORRECTED.

James Partridge of the firm of Partridge Bros. of Norway Lake, called on Wednesday morning. Mr. P. has been confined to the house for some weeks past, but is now improving. He tells us that the estimate on Norway Lake freight as published last week, is wrong. The article said that the Lake would furnish 500 tons freight. He has looked over their freight bill for the year ending Dec. 31, '96, and finds that their firm alone had 1791 tons, 886 pounds of freight that came over the Grand Trunk. Thus it seems that the estimate on Norway Lake freight wants to be increased about four times what was stated, last week.

The following rescript from the last court has been announced: Oxford, ss. Amelia Morgan vs. J. Frank Howard. Rescript.—It is not shown that defendant subscribed for or took shares in the corporation named of a par value aggregating more than he is shown to have paid towards the debts of the corporation; nor is he liable to corporation creditors on account of non-assessable shares subscribed for and taken by another in good faith and afterwards assigned to him, although the par value thereof may not have been paid to the corporation. Judgment for defendant.

THE DIGESTION OF STAPLE EDIBLES.

Boiled rice will digest in one hour; if boiled in milk, however, it requires two hours; if eaten with unboiled milk two hours and fifteen minutes. Raw eggs will digest in about one hour and a half; fried, three hours and a half; soft-boiled, three hours; hard-boiled, three hours and a half. White and yellow corn should be served together and assist in the digestion of the other. Salt beef requires four hours and fifteen minutes. Beefsteak, broiled, three hours. Stewed oysters, three hours and a half. Oysters require a longer time to digest than broiled meat. Roast veal requires five hours for perfect digestion. Pork the same. Suet pudding is supposed to take five hours and a half.—(Mrs. S. T. Rorer in February Ladies' Home Journal.)

Like Santa Claus

The hired girl's bean came from above. A certain Bath family which had implicit faith in their hired girl and who felt greatly pleased because she didn't care to go on often when night came, recently had their ideas shattered by a most unpleasant revelation.

It seems that a short time ago a man running telephone wires was obliged to run one over the roof of an ell of a house, the day was rainy and he happened to notice that a skylight in the roof was left open and the rain was beating in. Out of kindness toward the occupants of the house, he closed it so as to keep the rain out.

A few days later the owner of the house met him and gave him a severe lecture for leaving the skylight open, whereupon he denied it and told the facts of the case.

This caused the house owner to do a little detective work, and he at last after following up his clues discovered this: That the hired girl had a bean, that she didn't go out nights to see the bean but he came to see her. He also learned that she said when often still late and as he probably didn't want to disturb the family and did want to come often, he had been in the habit of going up a convenient place ladder to the roof of the ell and then down through the skylight into the ell room.

The game being discovered, the girl admitted all was correct and was at once discharged, as the head of the house decided he didn't care to have people who came to his house, do so in such a Santa Claus fashion.—[Enterprise.]

.. Canned Goods

We think we can please you on quality and price.

Baltimore Peaches,	10c.
California "	18c.
Pumpkin,	10c.
Squash,	12c.
Salmon, Red,	2 for 25c.
Salmon, Silver,	10c.
Pine Apple,	25c.
Peas,	10c.
String Beans,	10c.
Sardines,	5 to 25c.

These are a few of the canned goods we keep at 141 Main Street.

E. F. Bicknell

Sign Hamlin & Bicknell.

FUR COATS, ULSTERS, OVERCOATS.

If you want anything in this line come and see my stock at

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Before they are gone

J. F. PLUMMER,

Market Square, South Paris.

V. W. Hills,

The Only Practical Optician in Oxford County,

Invites you to call at his store.

His line of goods are the best in town, and prices as low as the lowest, when quality is considered.

Opera House Block,

NORWAY, MAINE.

Infancy and Childhood.

The daily rule for sleeping and eating for the average child is that it should, when one month old, be fed every two hours from 4 a. m. to 11 p. m., sleeping from that time until 5 a. m. again. At three months it should be fed every two and one-half hours from 5 a. m. to 10 p. m., sleeping from 10 p. m. to 6 a. m. At six months it should be fed every three hours from 6 a. m. to 9 p. m., sleeping from 9 p. m. to 6 a. m. At one year of age a child should be fed at seven, ten, two, six and nine o'clock. The first and last meals should be given to the child in bed, from the bottle, while the other three meals should be fed from bowl and spoon, in order to begin the weaning process.

During the fast of the night there should be always ready by the bedside a thoroughly clean nursing-bottle filled with water that has been boiled. If the baby is wakeful, fretful, or hungry, allow him to nurse from this. A few swallows will suffice to calm him. The ordinary heat of the chamber will render the water warm enough for a child in health. If the infant is delicate or ill, the drinking water must be warmed to 98 deg. F., in a cup of water placed over an alcohol lamp on the table. Sometimes when a baby is breast-fed it will not drink water from a nursing-bottle, in which case as often as it cries, with a fine soft white cloth saturated with water. Water the child must have, and in abundance, during the troublesome nights when the habit of sleep is not yet established and the desire for night meals is not thoroughly overcome.

Besides this, regular day naps must be established as soon as possible. A new-born babe should, and usually does, sleep most of the time; but if he is of a nervous temperament, there is danger, as it grows older, that it will fall into the habit of catching short naps at odd moments, and indulging in no profound lasting rest during the whole day. By the time a child is three months old it should have formed the habit of sleeping about eight hours at night, and of napping at least two to two and one-half hours twice during the day. The intervals after the 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. feedings are the most favorable times for rest.—[Harper's Bazar.]

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The Tribune Almanac for 1897, now out, is breezy, thoroughly up to date, and a strong and valuable number. Political platforms occupy rather more space than usual, the past year having been prolific in platforms, and at least a digest is given of every one of the national and state creeds of 1896. Election returns are fully presented, with names of the new Members of Congress and Senators, and all the usual variety of statistics on finance, trade, agriculture, coinage, banking, production of the precious metals, public revenue, population, colleges, education, prominent societies, railroads, telegraph and telephone companies, public debt and expenditures of 1896, and other important matters. The recent Government bond issues and proposed impeachment of President Cleveland, the census of Mr. Bayard, the Venezuelan business, international arbitration and Cuban Revolution are fully and concisely treated, and there are a number of valuable minor features, such as facts about the Sugar bounty, a list of dates of important historical events, number of American soldiers in each of our wars, labor laws, civil service laws, salaries of all the leading Federal and State officers, facts about the naval and land militia, and so on. The Tribune Almanac sells for 25 cents a copy, and is as necessary to the house as a dictionary. Price, 25 cents a copy.

Finest Fashions of Europe.

The Boston Sunday Journal Will Inaugurate a Wonderful Novelty.

There is not a woman in the land who does not have a yearning for the latest fashions of Europe, but the difference in time between the opening of the seasons there and here makes it impossible for the receipt of the styles until after they have been worn by the leaders of the fashionable world on the other side of the Atlantic. To be sure, all the great dictators of fashions make up their styles six months in advance, but so jealously have they guarded their secrets that no inkling of them can be obtained by the outside world until after they have been worn. At great expense arrangements have been completed with Felix of Paris, Drecol of Vienna and twelve others of the most famous court costumers, by which a weekly photograph will be published by the Boston Sunday Journal accompanied by a signed description by the famous designer, himself. No other paper in Boston can be within four months of the styles of these famous designers, and the readers of the Boston Sunday Journal will be able to obtain the latest styles the same day that the beautiful dresses are being exhibited to the public for the first time.

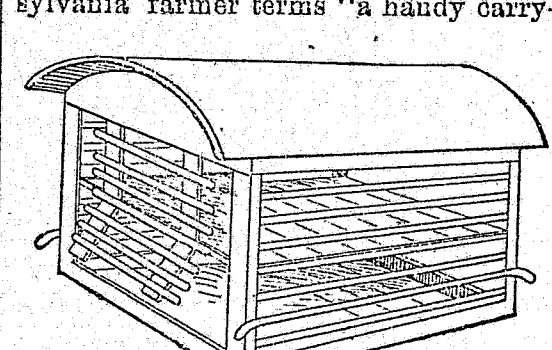
The Grand Trunk Traveling Men's Association will hold their annual banquet at the Monadnock House, Colebrook, N. H., Feb. 24.



FARM CONVENIENCES.

Carrying Rack For Sheep, Pigs and Poultry.—A Swinging Crib.

A rack for conveying sheep, calves, pigs or poultry to any desired place is something which every farmer needs more or less. The annexed cut from the New York Tribune shows what a Pennsylvania farmer terms "a handy carrying rack."



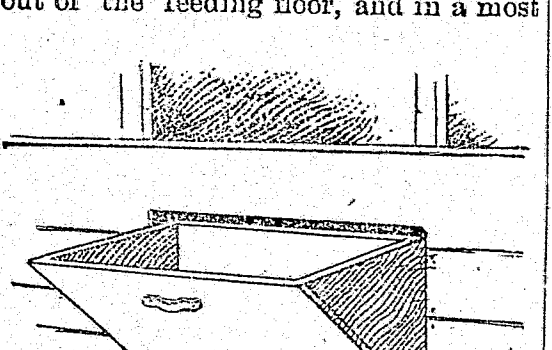
HANDY CONVEYING RACK.

ing rack," suitable for carrying one to three sheep or calves, according to size. It is easily and quickly made of any kind of soft wood. His is of basswood, 2 feet wide, 4 feet long, 3 feet high; corner posts of hard wood, 2 by 2; bottom and top frame boards 6 inches wide, three-quarters of an inch thick, nailed to posts. There are two floors or decks, and the roof is composed of material half an inch thick. Slats 2 1/2 inches wide. A strip, 1 by 6 inches, 4 feet long, is nailed lengthwise in the center flush with the inside of the bottom boards to strengthen the bottom floor. Both floors are set in loose, so they can be removed if necessary.

The two floors are convenient for dividing poultry to prevent their crowding or to divide turkeys from chickens. Notice that the gate is divided in two, and two sets of hinges are used. So instead of having to open the whole gate to take out poultry from the bottom floor, only half need be opened. Two of the side slats run out to five inches on each end for handles. Two men can take the rack full of poultry and set it on the scales to weigh it. The rack can be used to advantage in various ways to suit the owner.

The authority already quoted gives also an illustrated description of a swinging cattle crib as follows:

It is triangular in shape and is hinged at the point at the bottom just on the edge of the feeding floor. When swung forward into the feeding floor, as shown, it is in a most convenient position to fill with hay or to place in it a grain ration. It is then tipped back into the space before the animal and is entirely out of the feeding floor, and in a most



CONVENIENT SWINGING CRIB.

convenient position for the animal to eat from. The bottom of this crib is a three cornered piece of timber. This gives rigidity and prevents there being a narrow space at the bottom, into which an animal could not get his nose.

A Cheap Icehouse.

A contributor to The Prairie Farmer gives this plan of an icehouse which he has used for six years with the best results: Take logs as long as you wish your icehouse to be in width, flattening them so that they will be one foot thick; lay them on smooth dry ground four feet apart. On this foundation place a floor of two inch planks. Then take common 2 by 4 for studding, placing them three feet apart. Nail them to the plank below and spike on to the plate (2 by 4) above. Now line up on the inside of studding with common rough lumber; put on a roof and leave the gable ends open for ventilation.

Your icehouse is now ready to fill. Place a foot of dry sawdust on top of the floor, leaving a foot of space for the sawdust on all sides, and cut the floor to fill the rest of the space. Keep the sawdust space filled level with the ice, as you go up tramping it down solid. Place a foot of sawdust on top and you have finished your job. When the weather gets warm, the sawdust should be occasionally tramped down. In short, there are five principles in regard to keeping ice successfully: First, good drainage, second, good ventilation; third, good roof; fourth, a foot space of sawdust (dry), thoroughly packed, and, fifth, good ice to start with.

The Hotbed.

There was a time when the majority of gardeners thought that they could not heat a hotbed without manure. The heat arising from the fermenting of horse manure seemed to them about the only available supply for this purpose. Now, as Rural New Yorker tells, steam pipes are used with excellent success and it is generally understood that manure is not an absolute necessity. Years ago it was believed that stable manure was the only rational food for plants. Even at the present day there are many who still believe that fertilizers will "poison the soil." Good farmers live and learn. Two things they learn about stable manure are that there are some cases where it does not pay to give money for it, and that it always pays to add potash and phosphoric acid to the manure pile. The plan of "feeding the manure pile" by using kainit and bone with the manure is just as legitimate as is feeding the animal on certain foods because they have a high manurial value.

Literally Accepted.

I had a visit from a friend
Last week—twas winter weather.
He was a chap who did commend
The matrimonial ladder.
And, knowing as I did the year
And fear of his life's station,
I thought he'd come to change his care
For rest and recreation.

Therefore it was I welcomed him
With sympathetic feeling
And let no word or action dim
That welcome's full revealing.
"I'm most sincerely glad you've come,"
I said, with heartiest dictation.
"Just do as you would do at home,
Without the least restriction."

We talked and smoked till late, and when
I closed the blinds ere going
To bed 'twas patent to my ken
That it was merely snowing.
Then to his room without delay
I took him, and to zestful
"Good night!" I warmly added, "May
Your sleep be sweet and restful."

Next morn I saw, when I did lift
From sleep, that fellow go forth
Sweep off the snow, the ashes sift,
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REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

You can always tell an old bachelor by the way he doesn't flirt.

A man never knows what he can do till he doesn't get the chance.

Somehow the wittiest girl isn't the one a man picks out to marry.

I wonder how the ministers know the Sunday newspapers are so bad.

Some women won't be happy in heaven because they can't go to church.

A man never knows surely that he is in love till he thinks that she isn't.

The most honest man in the world will lie about what he pays for his cigar.

As soon as a man shows that he knows much about woman a girl begins to think he has a past.

A girl likes to believe a man is absent-minded so she can have an excuse for taking care of him.

A woman's real liking for a minister is generally based on the fact that he makes a beautiful prayer.

There never lived an old maid who didn't believe she could have got married if she had wanted to.

A child carries its new-found happiness to the one it loves the most; a woman to the one she hates most.

As soon as a man gets his first grey hairs he begins to boast to his wife of the business worries he has.

The real reason why woman likes cats is probably because they don't often track mud all over the floor.

After a girl gets married she never gets of her old joke about cigar ashes keeping months out of the carpet.

The Treaty of Arbitration.

In the light of this proposed treaty the world seems growing better. The President and the Congress have agreed that "all questions of difference" between the two countries must be submitted to arbitration. There are to be three kinds of tribunal, and that which is to be charged with the duty of trying territorial claims is to have no umpire—the arbitrators being evenly divided between the two countries. But even if there is a failure of a verdict by the arbitrators, the dispute therefore remaining unsettled, there is to be, in the language of the treaty, "no recourse to hostile measures of any description until the mediation of one or more friendly powers has been invited by one or both of the high contracting parties." Here is a declaration of peace. It might have been better, it is true. It might have provided, for instance, that a majority of the arbitrators in a territorial dispute should control, as in the tribunals provided for the determination of disputes involving money. "And yet," as the President said in his message to the Senate, "it is apparent that the treaty which has been formulated not only makes war between the parties to it a remote possibility, but precludes those fears and rumors of war which of themselves so often assume the proportions of a national disaster."

It is not more than a year ago that there were fears and rumors of war between this country and the nation with which we are now engaged in providing against the probabilities of war. If this treaty had been in operation in 1895, the country would not have excited itself over the anticipations of hostile English ironclads; it would have found itself rejoicing in the knowledge that nothing could happen but international law. A great end has been gained when the public mind is led to no longer expect war, or when the public feeling is turned against war. The teachings of civilization are against the destruction of human life in settlement of disputes. Aside from the punishment inflicted by the law, the penalty of bloodshed is not now paid except among those who are barbarians, whether they dwell within or without the jurisdiction of the law of civilized communities. The appeal to arms in international affairs is quite as savage as the resort to blows in the streets. Both may still be necessary, but everything that leads men to look on bloodshed as the remotest possible outcome of a dispute is a contribution to civilization.—[Harper's Weekly.]

Lewis Richards, a young man who came to Bethel with his parents, about a year ago, from Peabody, Mass., died at his home near the Steam Mill, the 22nd of this month. A few months ago his health began to fail, and it was soon evident that consumption had claimed him as a victim. He was twenty-three years of age and was a young man of exemplary character. The funeral services occurred Sunday.

Every one who will cut out this notice and forward it, with ten cents, to the Demorest Magazine, New York, will receive a sample copy of Demorest's Magazine, containing a Pattern Order which entitles the holder to a copy of the illustrated in any number of the Magazine published during the last twelve months, at the uniform price of four cents each. Over thirty patterns are frequently illustrated in one number.

In McClure's Magazine for February Mr. H. J. W. Dam has a particularly interesting article on "The Making of the Bible." First it describes by what strange, and almost miraculous, means narratives of which the original records have utterly perished, survived in fair integrity through centuries of turmoil and confusion; and next it describes the finely wrought, typically modern, instrumentalities and appliances by which these narratives are to-day published to the world, in all its varied languages, by the million copies, through the Oxford University Press.

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LOOK THEM OVER.

S. B. & Z. S. PRINCE,

HORNE BLOCK, NORWAY, ME.

A new line of

EXTENSION TABLES!

We have received direct from the West some solid Quartered Oak Extension Tables 6 to 8 feet in length.

Respectfully,

C. B. Cummings & Sons

When You Write

You probably want some good paper. We have it. In fact we have as good a line of paper and envelopes, ruled or unruled, plain or tinted, as you can find in the cities, from 75 cents a box down to 10 cents, loose paper and envelopes, pads, pens, inks, erasers, pencils, desks. If you are fussy about your writing materials, we want to make your acquaintance.

Noyes Drug Store,

NORWAY, MAINE.

Opera House Block,

When Trains Leave Norway.
Leave Norway for Portland and Lewiston.
6.20, 9.25 a. m.; 4.00 p. m.
Leave Norway for Gorham and West.
8.25 a. m.; 3.25, 7.50 p. m.
*Including Sunday.

APPRECIATED.

The Advertiser is getting a mite vain, it has been praised so much since it has changed to an eight page form. Not only its beauty but its goodness has been freely commented upon: one paper gives the doubtful merit of being full, it has been our custom, fifty-two times a year.

We appreciate all the fine-sounding things that have been said about us, and we know it has been the custom always to publish these things. But after having run the Advertiser almost fifteen years, these words of commendation, bestowed after the manner of Brother Publishers, are very gratifying.

NORWAY AND VICINITY.

A. A. Strout, esq., of Portland was in town, Friday.

L. P. Sweet is traveling, this winter, in the interest of the Orient and Saracen bicycles. He was in Piscataquis County, the past week.

The recent new rule on the Grand Trunk for all trainmen to take a 10-hour lay off after making a day's work, is now being rigidly enforced.

Eugene E. Andrews wears a smile that wonderfully lights up his countenance. "Gene is certainly a proud papa, and we hope the little girl will grow up and keep him proud of her."

Pearl Cook's little shaggy, brown dog is a cute animal. He manages to keep himself amused all the time. His latest ride on the street cars with motor-man Davis. He watches the cars till he sees Davis driving, then climbs on, rides to South Paris and back as sedately as you please.

"My baby had a cold and was saved by Hunt's Cure," writes Mrs. J. B. Martin of Hiram, Me.

W. A. McCord of Augusta, Secretary of the Maine Teachers' Reading Circle, was in town, Saturday and Sunday. All the village teachers have joined the Circle, and will take its course of reading on pedagogics. While in Oxford County, Mr. McCord visited South Paris and Bethel.

Thursday evening of last week, the clerks of Norway had a meeting in the Oxford County Shoe Store. Organization was effected by choosing Frank W. Faunce, president, Mark P. Smith, secretary, and Edward C. Winslow, treasurer. It was voted to have a ball, Feb. 11, and committees were appointed on printing, music and refreshments.

The graphophone concert on Saturday evening at Concert Hall drew nearly a household of people who seemed appreciative of the entertainment. The graphophone was well shown up, the band and orchestral pieces, as well as those of instrumental music, being particularly well rendered. The laughable repetitions of the auction sales, and the street medicine vender, together with the solos of familiar pieces and popular airs, were well rendered. Just before the close of the entertainment the instrument was explained and an experiment tried. We heard resolves expressed to possess one of the machines on the part of some of our townspeople.

Interpersed with the machine's work were readings by Miss Fannie Rice, of Missouri, who is a pupil of the Emerson College of Oratory, Boston. Miss Rice is a young lady of charming presence, and of dramatic powers. Her selections were mostly humorous, in which she showed a keen sense of the power of the ridiculous, while in "Old Mother Goose," she was equal to the task of setting out the tender pathos, with which she manifested much sympathy. From her work of Saturday evening we should say she gives evidence of considerable ability, while the absence of affectation so prevalent in readers of to-day is a very strong point in her favor. The matinee, Saturday p. m., was also well attended by the school children, many of whom were also present in the evening.

PORTER.

Charles H. Eastman is boarding at H. H. Sawyer's, for the winter.

Albert Clark of Cornish has started a singing school at Kezar Falls, with 25 scholars.

M. M. Libby, who has been at work at Poland, the past fall, in a corn factory, has returned.

Mrs. Joseph Libby, an aged lady of this town, has had a shock and is not expected to recover.

Mrs. Edward Eastman, an aged lady of Brownfield, passed away very quietly at the home of her son Ezra. She was over 80.

Prof. Isaiah Trufant, principal of the Parsonfield P. H. S., was called away, Friday, to attend the funeral of his brother in Harpsworth.

Those farmers who shipped their apples across the water, and had to give their apples and pay beside 15 or twenty cents a barrel, think they will send no more.

Curtis Libby of South Hiram met with a very painful accident, Friday, while returning from school. He caught his foot in the wheel of Geo. Milliken's carriage when in motion, breaking his leg in two places.

Rev. Joseph Cross gave a very interesting lecture with his graphophone which delivers the sermons and lectures which he has previously delivered himself. He is to repeat it soon with a few additional selections.

John Maine has been fast becoming a tradition. There is talk of establishing the \$5 bounty on bears. Might it not be well to establish a five or ten years' close time on bears, to allow him to recuperate? Maine without bears would sink to a level with the rest of New England in point of historic interest.

James Foster of Freedom, N. H., died at his late residence, from congestion of the brain. He had eighteen convulsions the last two hours of his illness. He leaves a widow, one son and a large circle of friends and townspeople to mourn his loss. He has been very actively engaged in the sale paint business, for the past few years.

Nerves on Edge.
I was nervous, tired, irritable and cross. Clover Root Tea has made me well and happy.
Mrs. E. B. WOODS.

G. P. JONES & SON, DENTISTS,
Beal Block, 5th NORWAY, ME.

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By a reliable firm to take orders for Nu sery Stock of the finest quality. We want honest, conscientious salesmen. Salary and traveling expenses paid.

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SOUTH ALBANY.

May Abbott is at home for the present. Aggie Sawin is suffering from the effects of a severe cold.

Charlie Flint has so far improved as to be able to sit up for half an hour.

Men and oxen were out, last Friday, breaking out roads for the first time this season.

J. W. Dresser was at home, a few days last week. He has bought another pair of horses, making ten in all, which he has at work on his job at Roxbury.

Walter Browne of Bethel was at his daughter's, Mrs. Lewis Sawin's, a few days last week. He bought a pair of oxen of the Sawin Bros., also a pair of twin steers.

"How to Cure All Skin Diseases." No internal medicine required. Cures leprosy, eczema, itch, all eruptions on the face, hands, nose, etc., leaving no mark, white and healthy. Its great healing and curative powers are possessed by no other remedy. Ask your druggist for SWAYNE'S OINTMENT, 40-41.

Andover.

Aqueducts are freezing up the same as they did last year.

The year 1896 was withal a pleasant year, notwithstanding several removals by death, which is the common lot of Numerically, Andover is going back, or rather it is below the maximum in the early sixties for many years. As Josh Billings puts it, "Why is this thus?" Have the young men taken Horace Greeley's advice and gone West? We fear too many have taken the above advice and that is the reason that the number of farms which once blossomed like the rose are now growing up to wood. The war made many inroads into this beautiful town, surrounded by the lofty hills and drained by the ever flowing streams, taking more than a score of our strongest and noblest men, many of whom lie buried beneath the magnolias in the sunny South.

The statistics briefly are: Town settled by Eze. Merrill in 1789; first mills built in 1791; first church formed in 1804; incorporated the 18th town, June 23, 1809, under the name of East Andover. Population 1850, 710; 1860, 814; 1870, 799; 1880, 780; 1890, 714. Polis, 1890, 201; estates, 170,697. The record of 1896 shows that 13 have been called home, with ages varying from a few hours to nearly four score and ten years. It may be of interest to some to know the names, so I give them: Mrs. Annie Barrett, Sarah P. Abbott, Fred Philbrick, infant son of Lucien Adams, Nettie J. Perkins, John R. Hewey, Ira W. Bodwell, Rose E. Bodwell, infant son of Ora J. Hewey, Annie J. Hewey, Catherine Poor, Eliza Poor.

The clerk's records show that nine couples have been united in marriage during the year just closed, and there are twenty births recorded. One of the most serious hindrances to the progress financially of the town is the railroad facilities. The cost of transportation eats up the profits. Competition drives manufacturers to close a margin, those who have to freight their wares 20 miles or more by team cannot compete with the outside world.

The two stores of Messrs. Loring & Dresser and W. W. Barnes & Co. are doing a good business, but all manufacturing, save a small dowl mill at Mass. Falls, is a thing of the past. We had a larger dowl mill, but it was declared a nuisance and had to be removed, notwithstanding it was one of the best enterprises ever started in town, giving employment to scores of men either directly or indirectly.

If we can get the electric road which may be in the near future, it will give a new impetus to business and Andover will awake to a sense of prosperity hitherto unknown. The thousands of cords of birch and hard wood with which our hills and mountains are covered could be converted into usefulness if the capitalist could see a way to convey the product to market.

The summer travel the past year was nearly on an average with other years when compared with other towns. Notwithstanding the adversities to which all towns are subjected, several new buildings have been erected and the present year a Universalist chapel will probably be erected, which will add beauty to the village. Yet there must be some business enterprise to give employment to the young and old generation, to keep them from going to the city and leaving the old farm to run itself. Boys take the advice of the old poet when he sings that song?

Come boys, I've something to tell you, Come near, I would whisper it low; You are thinking of leaving the farm, boys, Don't be in a hurry to go. —Times.

A Lucky Chance for the Sick and Suffering.
Here is a chance for the sick of our community which should not be lost. Dr. Greene, of 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., who has the largest practice in the world and who is without doubt the most successful specialist in curing all forms of nervous and chronic diseases, offers to give free consultation by mail to all sufferers. You have the privilege of consulting Dr. Greene by letter, describing your complaints, and he will, after carefully considering your condition, send you a letter fully explaining all your symptoms, telling you every thing about your complaints so plainly that you will understand exactly what ails you. Write to him at once for you certainly can be cured.

The Children's Corner.
East Peru, Maine, Jan. 18, 1896.
DEAR EDITOR:—I will write a few lines for your paper. It has been quite a while since I wrote before. My school is done. Christmas, our teacher gave us all a beautiful souvenir card. We are going to have a high school. It is going to begin the first of February. I think Ada Gerrish is going to be the teacher. We had some nice slides while school kept but we don't have any now. It snowed last night. I have two dolls, one of them has yellow curls, her name is Little Bright Eyes. I make all their clothes. My little sister Edith is going to write for your paper. My oldest sister Grace went to Farmington to school, last fall. I think I have written enough for this time so I will close with a question: What is the shortest verse in the Bible and where is it? I hope some one will answer this. Goodbye, from your friend, FLORENCE M. HOLMAN.

P. S. I think that the boys and girls who used to write for the ADVERTISER ought to write now.

A Great German's Prescription.
Dissolved blood, constipation, and kidney liver and bowel troubles are cured by Karl's Clover Root Tea.

Anthony Hope is just finishing a sequel to "The Prisoner of Zenda." It is a novel of the same high, romantic kind, entitled "The Constable of Zenda." The exciting story of serial publication in America has been secured by McClure's Magazine.

GAINED 26 POUNDS, Got Strong and Well by Using Dr. Greene's Nervura.

Mrs. J. W. Beale, 52 Eastern Ave., Worcester, Mass., writes: "I was sick for more than seven years, not able to do my household work for five years. The whole length of my spine was very bad, which went to my head, being so bad that it was about impossible for me to stoop to the floor or to the table."

"I used Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. Words cannot express my wonderful cure. Now all is changed, and I am strong and well, and able to do all my work. I have gained 23 pounds in weight and am now light and plump and despondency, there is now light and hope."

Dr. Greene's Cathartic Pills should be taken with the Nervura if the bowels are constipated. Dr. Greene, 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., the most successful physician in curing nervous and chronic diseases, can be consulted free, personally or by letter.

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Woman's Column.

Prune Cream Pie.—Stew the prunes in as little water as possible and strain through a sieve. To a cup of the prunes add one cup of sweet cream, the yolks of two well beaten eggs, one-third of a cup of sugar and a little salt. Whip the whites separately and stir in lightly, flavoring with pineapple. Pour it into the paste-lined plate and bake quickly. When done, frost with the white of an egg beaten with a tablespoonful of sugar, also flavored with pineapple.
—[Mrs. N. A. S., Bethel, Me.]

Woman's Proper Sphere.
The World is the Woman's master, She must ever do as she's bid, From the time of the great disaster Of her birth, to the coffin-lid, She must walk as she's told, no faster, From the time she's a "wee sma' kiddy," Hide the light of Time, as he passed her, And do as she's told, no less.
—[C. M. W. G.]

Ginger Snaps.—One pint molasses, one cup lard, one-half cup hot water, two teaspoons soda, one teaspoon ginger, one-half teaspoon salt, flour enough to roll.

Cream Sponge Cake.—One cup sugar, one egg, one cup sour cream, one teaspoonful soda, two cups flour.—[Mrs. J. C. E. Newry.]

WEST STONEHAM.
Lewis McAllister has built an ice boat and put it on Kezar pond.

W. W. Dyer spent Saturday with his sister, Mrs. Hannah Barker.

V. H. McAllister and wife of West Lovell visited her father, Wm. Adams, the past week.

A party of young people from here went to the flag super at Mr. Allard's. All report a fine time.

Wm. Gammon has sold one yoke of his oxen to Audubury Kimball to go down on Lovell town farm.

The young men of North Lovell and Lovell Center play polo near Rattlesnake island on Kezar pond.

Alonso Adams has gone to Roxbury to work this winter. His mother is at work for C. W. Brooks at Locke's Mills.

GRAND SPECIAL CLEARANCE SALE.

MACKINTOSHES, CRAVENETTES, SHAWLS AND REMNANTS.

We have a few odd lots of Mackintoshes and Cravenettes that we cannot duplicate and shall close out at prices that will hustle them.

1 Olive Brown Mackintosh, size 58, regular price, \$5.00, now \$3.00.
1 " " " 56, " " 5.00, " 3.00.
1 Light Colored " " 54, " " 5.00, " 2.50.
1 " " " 60, " " 4.75, " 3.25.
1 Navy Blue Tricot Flannel Mackintosh, slightly shop worn, 58, \$7.00, \$2.50.
1 Light Colored " " " 60, 2.50, 1.50.
1 Blue Cravenette, 1 cape and hood, " " 58, 10.00, 7.50.
2 " " 3 silk-lined capes, " " 56, 58, 12.00, 7.50.

SHAWLS.
3 Imported Shawls, regular price, \$3.50, now, \$6.25.
2 " " " 4.00, " 3.00.
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Remnants of all kinds at extremely low prices. All of the above are BARGAINS and one cannot afford to pass them. Coupon cards will not be punched on special sales.
Yours respectfully,

NOYES & ANDREWS,
DRY GOODS STORE,
Norway, Maine.

IT'S YOUNG YET

This season of chilling weather. Winter will be with us many weeks yet to come. That underwear of yours is a trifle worn. New garments cost little at the prices we are now selling them for. At this time of year it is our practice to make prices to close out every piece. Good warm underwear, 25c. Heavy gray, double breast and back for 50c. All wool underwear for 75c. Extra heavy goods for \$1. Boys' wool sweaters, \$1 to \$1.50. Men's woolen sweaters from \$1.25 to \$2.75. All colors: brown, blue, black, white, garnet and gray. Here is one thing to remember: our prices are lower than any store where they have premiums for you to pay for. The worth of your money in goods, not premiums, and

YOUR MONEY BACK IF NOT SUITED.

H. B. FOSTER,
Opera House Block,
NORWAY, MAINE.

All Cleaning

WELCHVILLE.

Howard Blake is cook for A. L. Chaplin's logging camp.

Rev. J. B. Howard's infant daughter has whooping cough.

Samuel Holmes of Hartford is visiting his nephew, C. K. Holmes.

Howard Gay is now able to ride out when the weather is pleasant.

Mrs. Porter Stuart has been granted a pension dating from July, 1865.

Frank W. Kimball is about to move to Bridgton. His son Leo will board with Mrs. Gattie Lane.

Julius Fuller, Mary F. Holmes and others in East Oxford are packing their apples. They get 75 cents per barrel for the best.

Mrs. Lena Stevenson (nee Jones) is visiting her mother. She came to Maine at this time to see her brother Charles who is quite low.

A concert was given at the M. E. church, Saturday evening, assisted by educationist A. J. Jennie Palmer of Kent's Hill. While in this place, Miss Palmer was the guest of William F. Caldwell.

Mrs. Charlotte Fauce, widow of the late Seth H. Fauce, and a former resident of Pleasant Hill, died very suddenly at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Geo. H. Jones, at Oxford, last week. Mrs. Fauce's first husband was Samuel Chabourne of Oxford. Three sons and three daughters survive her.

GLEAD.

The long looked for snow has come. Geo. Richardson went down to Bethel, last Sunday.

Very cold and windy, Monday, the worst of the season so far.

Allie Bennett's family are still absent. Rob. Bennett is on the gain but has been quite a sick man.

Mr. Strout, the Mechanic Falls photo man, has been in this vicinity, for a week or more, making pictures.

Bennett has succeeded in landing one small building from Scratch Corner to Glead. Another nearly reached here before the big snow storm. Several more are coming.

Mrs. Scribner, mother of Mrs. G. H. Robertson, has been stopping with her for a while. Mrs. Robertson has been on the sick list, as also has George had a slightly lame leg.

A glance about town shows quite a number on the sick list. Mrs. D. O. Bennett has had a very bad headache, and Geo. Burnham has had two attacks of shocks, but is more comfortable.

UPTON.

Henry Raymond is sawing wood for James Bowler.

Vernie Davis lost a nice horse, last week; cause of death unknown.

John Brown and Will Whitney have gone into the woods for F. Lombard.

Mrs. John Akers of Errol, N. H., is stopping with her mother, Mrs. Sarah Abbott, a few days.

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WEST BETHEL.

W. A. Farwell has a Jersey cow.

Mrs. A. S. Bean has been quite sick for a few days.

Charlie Paine has been quite sick with a severe sore throat.

Mrs. Henry Verrill is still very poorly, not able to sit up as yet.

Flora Rollins is at work for Minnie Lutton, for a short time.

Mand Merrow finished her school at Walker's Mills, last Friday. Miss Merrow is a fine teacher.

J. E. Pike still continues to sell the Boston daily and Sunday Herald and others in East Oxford are packing their apples. They get 75 cents per barrel for the best.

Mrs. Lena Stevenson (nee Jones) is visiting her mother. She came to Maine at this time to see her brother Charles who is quite low.

A concert was given at the M. E. church, Saturday evening, assisted by educationist A. J. Jennie Palmer of Kent's Hill. While in this place, Miss Palmer was the guest of William F. Caldwell.

Mrs. Charlotte Fauce, widow of the late Seth H. Fauce, and a former resident of Pleasant Hill, died very suddenly at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Geo. H. Jones, at Oxford, last week. Mrs. Fauce's first husband was Samuel Chabourne of Oxford. Three sons and three daughters survive her.

GLEAD.

The long looked for snow has come. Geo. Richardson went down to Bethel, last Sunday.

Very cold and windy, Monday, the worst of the season so far.

Allie Bennett's family are still absent. Rob. Bennett is on the gain but has been quite a sick man.

Mr. Strout, the Mechanic Falls photo man, has been in this vicinity, for a week or more, making pictures.

Bennett has succeeded in landing one small building from Scratch Corner to Glead. Another nearly reached here before the big snow storm. Several more are coming.

Mrs. Scribner, mother of Mrs. G. H. Robertson, has been stopping with her for a while. Mrs. Robertson has been on the sick list, as also has George had a slightly lame leg.

A glance about town shows quite a number on the sick list. Mrs. D. O. Bennett has had a very bad headache, and Geo. Burnham has had two attacks of shocks, but is more comfortable.

UPTON.

Henry Raymond is sawing wood for James Bowler.

Vernie Davis lost a nice horse, last week; cause of death unknown.

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EAST HIRAM.

Mrs. E. W. Bosworth, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Frances Biggs, of Lincoln, Mass., returned, last Monday.

Mrs. Anna Wentworth and Mrs. A. F. Laberta went to Boston, last Thursday, to visit relatives and friends, and to attend Mr. Moody's meetings.

The drama, "Spy of Gettysburg," was played in Pythian Hall, Wednesday evening, Jan. 20, under the auspices of the Bethel Sisterhood, to a large audience. It was a success, and a dramatic entertainment, and also financially.

Rev. H. H. Hoyt of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was here last week, to visit his little son Lucien, who is with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Hanson. We are glad to learn that Mrs. Hoyt, though still in the hospital at Hanover, N. H., is much improved in health.

The officers of Saco Valley Assembly, No. 13, P. S., for the ensuing term, were installed by D. D. G. C. G. Mrs. E. A. Richardson, G. M. of Cumberland Mills, assisted by Mrs. Annie M. Burrell, as G. P., Mrs. Cassie Dow, as G. M. at A., and Mrs. Julia Cotton, as G. M. at A., and areas follows:

P. C. Mrs. Lois G. Pierce.
V. C. Mrs. Ellen R. Platt.
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M. O. Mrs. Nellie M. Kimball.
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PARIS HILL.

O. A. Thayer was in Portland, Sunday.

E. D. Ryerson has returned from his visit to his father, in New Jersey.

Col. and Mrs. A. S. Austin left, last Thursday, for Boston. Their house will be closed for the winter.

George Proctor leaves soon, for Bethel, having engaged to draw timber for the Bethel Chair Factory.

Hezekiah Lapham is reported so violently insane, it is feared that he will have to be taken to an asylum.

Ennie Eaton is gaining strength, though slowly. She was out to church, Jan. 27, for the first time this winter.

Packard, the popular driver of Mr. Perkins' rich, has gone to Berlin, N. H., with four of Perkins' horses, to draw spruce pulp timber. Perley Ripley is to drive on the pack, while Packard is away.

Prof. B. F. Baxter will give an exhibition of his great electrical invention for "making old saws new," at Academy Hall, Friday, Jan. 29, for the benefit of the Universalist circle. Mm. supper, at 6 o'clock. Dancing and admission as usual.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis M. Brown of New York made a brief trip to Paris, last week, and after a tour of some length, will return here, about the middle of May. They have leased the Old Brick for three years longer.

EAST HEBRON.

L. R. Hodson is quite sick.

Mrs. A. P. Allen is having a visit from the prevailing disease.

Business is lively since the late storm. 13 inches of snow fell.

Our meetings are not well attended. Sickness keeps many at home.

Harnden Allen has taken his sister Emily's cow to his place in Backfield to free her from the care, this winter.

Mrs. James Fogg and Mrs. H. Merrill have had sick turns, the past week, but are improving now. The weather is unfavorable for aged people with its frequent changes.

H. A. Record and Frank Pierce cut ice 23 inches thick on Lovell brook. They place the cakes in the ice house just as it was cut, matching each to the one it was cut from. It is as smooth as on the brook and as clear as crystal.

A man in this vicinity about thirty years ago married a young woman, who lived here. They had a family of three children and were then divorced. After that they were again engaged and their intentions put on record. He changed his mind and shortly after married a woman resident in this vicinity, with the last wife has one child since her marriage. Now said man is trying for a bill again to get free from wife No. 2 and marry wife No. 1 again.

OXFORD.

The A. O. Noyes Co., No. 12, U. R. K. of P., will give their first annual drill and ball, at Robinson Hall, Oxford, Tuesday evening, Feb. 9. Floor director, H. A. Ames; aids, Recorder, Joseph W. Lebrake, Sir Knight Merton Kimball, Sir Knight Wesley H. Ginn; local aids, Knight Albert Robinson, Knight Jewell Wardwell, Knight Frank W. Loring, Knight Orin Stevens, Officer of Drill Squad, Capt. A. J. Rowe. Music by Jones' Orchestra. They have a pleasing order of sixteen dances, after the drill. Supper at intermission.

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